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Army Para SF joins US special ops live demo

In a first, an Indian Army Para Special Forces contingent joined troops from nine countries in the live Capability Exercise (CAPEX) conducted during the United States Special Operations Command's SOF Week in Florida this week. The exercise -- Battle in the Bay -- conducted on Wednesday along the Tampa waterfront, involved coordinated air, maritime and ground operations by elite SF units in a simulated operational scenario.

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34. Adults Pool
35. Kid's Pool
36. Pool Volley Ball
37. Poolside Café
38. Jacuzzi **& 5 more**

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INDOOR GAMES
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55. Yoga / Aerobics

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60. Co-Working Space
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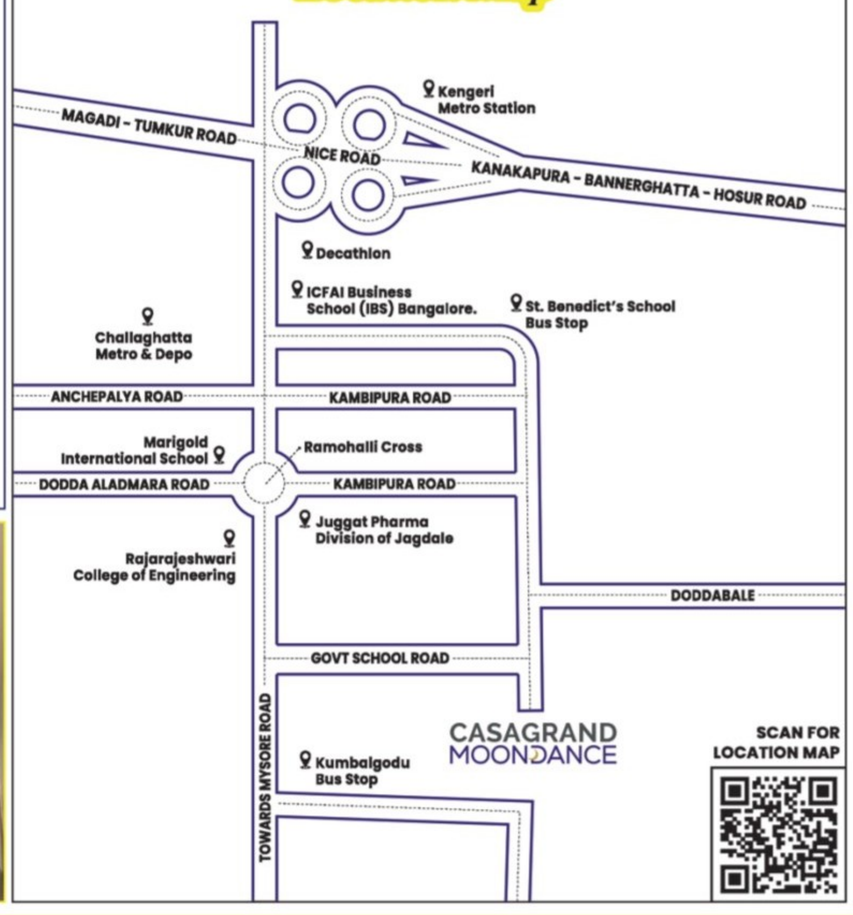
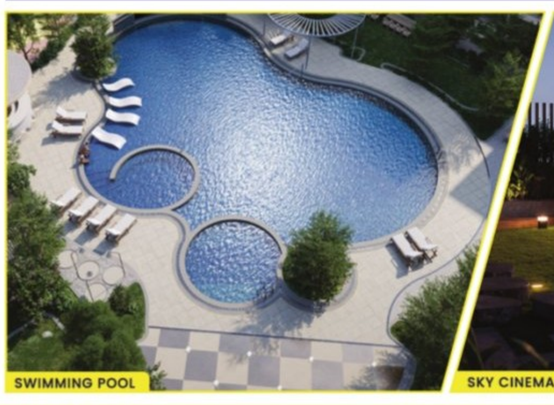
Gopalan Arcade Mall	18 mins

Location Map

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PULWAMA 'CONSPIRATOR' BURHAN SHOT DEAD BY UNKNOWN MEN IN PoK

A key accused in the 2019 Pulwama attack, Hamza Burhan alias 'Doctor', was shot dead in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir, Indian intelligence officials said

WAS DESIGNATED A TERRORIST BY MHA IN 2022

Burhan, identified as Arjumand Gulzar Dar from Pulwama in Jammu and Kashmir, was allegedly shot by unidentified gunmen in Muzaffarabad, sustaining multiple bullet injuries that proved fatal, officials added. Burhan was designated a terrorist by the Union home ministry in 2022 under UAPA, following findings by NIA in its probe into the Pulwama attack

SUPPLIED EXPLOSIVES TO TERRORISTS

- The February 14, 2019 suicide bombing at Lethpora in Pulwama district killed 40 CRPF personnel after a JeM operative rammed an explosives-laden vehicle into a security convoy
- Investigators alleged Burhan played a crucial logistical role in the attack by supplying explosives and grenades to the terrorists

ISI

BURHAN HAD CLOSE TIES WITH ISI AND WAS ASSOCIATED WITH AL-BADR TERROR OUTFIT

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India-Africa meet postponed over Ebola virus scare

Decision after fresh outbreak in DR Congo; fliers from affected countries to be screened

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

INDIA and the African Union have postponed the Fourth India–Africa Forum Summit, originally scheduled to be held in New Delhi from May 28 to 31, amid growing concerns over the Ebola outbreak in parts of Africa.

The decision comes at a time when India was preparing to unveil an ambitious roadmap to deepen its strategic, economic and developmental partnership with the African continent after a gap of nearly a decade.

The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said India and the African Union had held consultations on the "evolving health situation" and agreed that it would be "advisable" to convene the summit at a later date.

"Recognising the importance of ensuring the full participation and engagement of African leaders and stakeholders, and mindful of the emerging public health situation on the continent, consultations were held between the Government of India, the Chairperson of the African Union, and the African Union Commission," the MEA said.

The decision to postpone the summit was taken against the backdrop of a fresh outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo, which the World Health Organization has declared a public health emergency of international concern. More than 136 deaths have reportedly been linked to the outbreak so far.

The summit was expected to bring together leaders from across Africa along with representatives of the African Union Commission to chart a broader framework for cooperation in sectors ranging from trade, energy and technology to healthcare, capacity building and digital infrastructure. Several African leaders had already confirmed their participation.

The postponement of the summit will delay what was being viewed as a major diplomatic push by India to reinforce its engagement with Africa amid intensifying geopolitical competition for greater influence on the continent.

IBCA summit, too, postponed

The first International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) Summit, which was scheduled to be held in New Delhi on June 1 in conjunction with the India-Africa summit, too, has been postponed in view of the Ebola outbreak. "In order to ensure broad and active participation from all Range countries, including African countries, the First IBCA Summit will be convened at a later date," an official release said.

IBCA, a global initiative for the conservation of seven major big cat species, was launched by PM Narendra Modi on April 9, 2023. It was formally established on March 12, 2024.

Airports issue advisory

All major international airports in India have issued health advisories for passengers arriving from Democratic Republic of Congo, Uganda and South Sudan, asking them to report symptoms or exposure history to airport health authorities before immigration clearance

Passengers with symptoms must immediately report to airport health officer or health desk before immigration clearance

Directorate General of Health Services

Watch for symptoms for 21 days

The Directorate General of Health Services said passengers must watch out for fever, weakness or fatigue, headache, muscle pain, vomiting, diarrhoea, unexplained bleeding and sore throat. Also, those developing symptoms within 21 days arrival must report the same and seek medical care

Workers cover themselves from the scorching heat during the heatwave in UP's Prayagraj on Thursday | PTI

HEATWAVE ALERT

- Heatwave to severe heatwave conditions likely in Punjab, parts of Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi, east UP from May 21 to 27, says IMD
- Vidarbha, coastal Andhra and Yanam expected to face heat wave conditions from May 21-25
- Heat wave conditions in isolated pockets of Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal on May 21, 22; Telangana from May 21-24; Odisha May 21-25
- Warm night conditions in isolated pockets over Odisha during May 21-25

US offers 'separate treatment' for India under Sec 232 probe

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

IN the ongoing trade talks with the US, India has secured relatively favourable terms on several items facing investigation under Section 232, including pharmaceutical products, auto parts and aircraft components, a commerce ministry source familiar with the matter said.

"As far as certain other products are concerned which are under Section 232 investigation, there is a separate treatment for them also. We have got exemption for aircraft parts and, to some extent, on auto parts. We also have a framework to work on generic pharma," the source told *TNIE*.

Under Section 232 of the US Trade Expansion Act of 1962, the US government can impose tariffs on imports on grounds of national security concerns.

Washington has invoked the provision to levy duties on sectors such as steel, aluminium, automobiles, aircraft and their parts, semiconductors and pharmaceuticals. These tariffs currently range between 10% and 50% on a range of strategic products. Some Indian exports, including steel, aluminium, and autoparts face tariffs of 25-50% under Section 232. Generic pharmaceuticals, however, currently attract no tariff.

In the India-US joint statement signed in February 2025, the US had agreed to provide India with "negotiated outcomes with respect to generic pharmaceuticals and ingredients", contingent on the findings of the Section 232 probe.

"So comparatively, when I look at our terms of settlement, the terms are better than any competitor for India," the source added.

Indian negotiators have been pushing for product-specific relaxations as part of the broader bilateral trade discussions.

The development comes at a time when India and the US are continuing negotiations for a proposed bilateral trade agreement, with both sides aiming to conclude an interim arrangement before moving towards a broader pact.

US Secretary of State Marco Rubio will visit India from May 23 to 26. The four-day visit, his first visit to India since taking office, will focus on trade, defence and energy cooperation.

Delegation coming

Commerce and industry minister Piyush Goyal said a US delegation is expected to visit India next month for further negotiations on the proposed agreement. This follows the talks held in April in Washington between Indian and US officials

NEET-UG: NTA officials face scrutiny from MPs

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AMID the row over the cancelled NEET-UG exams, top officials of the National Testing Agency (NTA) came under intense scrutiny from a Parliamentary panel on Thursday over the question paper leak and related irregularities.

According to sources, NTA Director General Abhishek Singh informed the panel that the question paper was not leaked through the agency's system, adding that the CBI is currently investigating the breach.

The panel summoned the officials amid multiple arrests by the CBI, which included teachers and intermediaries allegedly linked to the question paper leak prior to the exam.

During the meeting of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth and Sports, several opposition MPs grilled the NTA officials on the steps they have taken to strengthen the exam system.

Sources said that when MPs questioned how the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (Undergraduate) paper was leaked, Singh responded that it had not been compromised through the NTA system. Several MPs then pressed him on how the leak occurred and why the exam had to be cancelled and a retest conducted. Singh, however, said that the matter is being probed by the CBI. According to sources, some opposition MPs demanded that the investigation report be shared with the panel, but BJP members argued that the CBI should be allowed to complete its probe without interference. Sources said the Parliamentary panel's chairperson, Congress MP Digvijaya Singh, raised objections to comments made by Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan during a May 15 press meet regarding the standing committee.

CM: PM MUST APOLOGISE P6

MODI MEETS MINISTERS AMID SHUFFLE BUZZ

Amid speculation over a Cabinet reshuffle after the NDA government completes 12 years in office on June 7, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday chaired a crucial meeting of the Council of Ministers | P11

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Govt may soon approach SC against SIR process

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THE state cabinet on Thursday discussed multiple strategies, including approaching the Supreme Court, to counter the scheduled Special Intensive Revision (SIR).

Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister **HK Patil** said the cabinet meeting discussed all possibilities on SIR and a final decision will be taken in three to four days. Sources in the government said the CM and other leaders will discuss it on Sunday and the final decision will likely be taken by May 25.

Patil told reporters that it was felt that the Supreme Court can be approached even as the process is on now, or after the final voter list is published. "We will discuss it over the next three days and arrive at a decision," he said.

Patil said the government's concern is to prevent any attempt at depriving voters of their electoral rights. "If any voter's rights are being curtailed or taken away, we want to stop such a process," he said.

Raising concerns over transparency in SIR, Patil pointed to the deletion of voters in other states and said such actions would affect public confidence in the electoral system.

Asked why the government is considering moving the Supreme Court, instead of approaching the Election Commission of India (ECI), Patil said, "The door that is open for us is the Supreme Court." The government has identified 10-12 concerns related to the process, he said, declining to disclose details. Discussions with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah are still on and the final decision is expected by May 25. P6

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EXPRESS READ

K'taka govt to introduce 'Aadhaar' for cattle soon

Bengaluru: In a first-of-its-kind initiative in India, the Karnataka government will soon introduce digital identification for cattle, using muzzle biometrics, track vaccination records, health status, and insurance or death-related claims. The barcode-based identification system is expected to replace traditional ear tags and will act like Aadhaar for cattle | P6

Landing at KIA, AI flight suffers tail strike

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AN Air India Airbus A321 aircraft suffered a tail strike while landing at Bengaluru's Kempegowda International Airport on Thursday after encountering wake turbulence caused by a departing Boeing 747 aircraft, sources said. The Air India flight AI2651, operating from Delhi to Bengaluru, was approaching the runway when a Boeing 747, known for its massive size and engine thrust, took off ahead of it from the same runway, the sources added.

Sources said the larger aircraft generated strong "wake turbulence", a phenomenon caused by disturbed air currents left behind by an aircraft during takeoff. "It was not weather-related turbulence or gusty winds. This was a case of wake turbulence," a source said.

According to sources, the pilot realised the aircraft was being affected by the turbulence and immediately decided to abort the landing and carry out a precautionary go-around manoeuvre. During the manoeuvre, the aircraft's tail struck the runway. The incident occurred between 11 am and noon. "The pilot was cautious enough to immediately take a go-around call. It was the right thing to do," the source added, noting that the incident was not attributed to pilot error.

An Air India spokesperson said, "Flight AI2651 landed safely, and all passengers and crew disembarked normally."

The airline said the aircraft has been grounded for inspection and the incident will be investigated in accordance with established procedures.

As a result of the incident, the return flight AI2652 from Bengaluru to Delhi was cancelled. "Alternative arrangements are being made to accommodate affected passengers at the earliest," the spokesperson said. Air India also expressed regret and reiterated that the safety of passengers and crew remained its "highest priority".

Entry of tourists banned at jumbo camps in K'taka

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Shivamogga

THE forest department has temporarily banned tourists from entering all elephant camps across the state following the death of a woman at the Dubare elephant camp on May 18. Vijaykumar, Assistant Conservator of Forest, said on Thursday that given the need to ensure the safety of visitors, Standard Operating Procedures are being prepared. "Until then, the department has prohibited the entry of public into elephant camps," he said. The order issued on May 21 will remain in force till further notice. P8

ALMANAC TODAY

Friday: 22.05.2026 **Year:** Parabhava **Ayana:** Uttharayana
Ritu: Grishma **Masa:** Adhika Jyeshta **Paksha:** Shukla **Tithi:** Shashti 11.58 am
Nakshatra: Pusyami 8.16 am **Moon in** Simha Rashi **Rahukaala:** 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
Gulikakala: 07:30 am to 09:00 am **Yamaganda:** 01:30 pm to 03:00 pm

WEATHER

MIN 22°C | MAX 32°C

FORECAST
Thunderstorms. Overcast

Sunrise 05.53 am
Sunset 06.39 pm
Moonrise 11.19 am
Moonset 12.14 am

EJIPURA PROJECT

BRING MORE HANDS, FINISH FLYOVER ON TIME, SAYS GBA CHIEF

Rao tells the contractor to complete main flyover project by the end of October

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GREATER Bengaluru Authority (GBA) Chief Commissioner M Maheshwar Rao directed BSPCL, the contractor of the Ejipura Flyover, to deploy additional staff and labourers to ensure completion of the project within the deadline.

At a review meeting with officials and contractors of the project, which is being executed under the Bengaluru South City Corporation, on Thursday, Rao directed officials to relocate the BESCOM Ring Main Unit located at the Madivala-side ramp site in 24 hours and remove the three trees opposite Kendriya Sadan in four days to facilitate the commencement of ramp construction work.

"The down-ramp work on the Domlur side is 70% complete. Deploy additional manpower and complete the remaining down-ramp work within 15 days. After this, the Sarjapur-side down-ramp construction should be taken up and completed within the next 15 days. The launch of four spans near the Ejipura Signal Junction commenced yesterday (Wednesday) and must be completed within two months," the chief commissioner said. He said the agency has been instructed to expedite the construction of five portal frames and complete the main flyover project by the end of October.

Officials were directed to ensure that there are no potholes on roads adjoining the flyover construction zone. They have to repair all potholes immediately. As the monsoon season is approaching, both side drains should be thoroughly desilted to facilitate the smooth flow of rainwater. Preventive measures must also be taken to avoid waterlogging in any section of the flyover construction area during the rainy season. Instructions were also issued to ensure the proper installation and functioning of streetlights.

STATE OF PROJECT

- Ejipura flyover length: **2.59 km**
- Out of **762** segments, **731** have already been cast.
- The remaining casting work is expected to be completed by the end of June.
- Of the **66** spans planned for the project, **52** have been completed. Installation of the remaining **14** spans is currently in progress.

44.2 MM RAIN BRINGS DOWN SEVERAL TREES

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MOST parts of the city received sudden heavy showers from Thursday evening till late into the night. According to the India Meteorological Department, the city recorded 44.2 mm rain till 8.30 pm. The summer showers brought down over half a dozen trees across the city resulting in traffic jams. While heavy rainfall was reported near Vijaynagar, Shanthinagar, Lalbagh, Cubbon Park, Rajajinagar and KR Market, hailstorms were reported at surrounding areas of Majestic and Mysuru Bank.

Due to flooding of roads and peak traffic hours, vehicular movement was hit across Central Business District areas. A large tree was uprooted at Shankar Mutt, resulting in over 15 BMTC buses getting stuck for an hour. Similar scenes were witnessed at Indiranagar 16th Cross after a huge tree fell on a parked car.

At Dooravani Nagar near KR Puram, a scooter and an electric pole were damaged in a tree fall. This also led to a traffic pile-up till Ramamurthy Nagar. At Kethamaranahalli, a huge tree fell on the Varadarajaswamy Temple. As per municipal officials, there were no causalities.

Due to the rain, officials shut the KR Circle underpass which led to even more traffic.

A tree uprooted and fell on a car during the rain spell at Mahalaxmi Layout on Thursday. Another car was damaged in a tree fall at at Indiranagar 16th Cross | EXPRESS

Slow-moving traffic at Shivananda Circle flyover | VINOD KUMAR T

PALACE ROAD

Manhole cover washes away, tragedy averted

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THE brief but furious thunderstorm on Thursday evening turned Palace Road into a watery trap, just 100 metres from the chief secretary's official residence. Between 6.10 pm and 6.40 pm, the skies unleashed heavy rain that left the iconic stretch flooded, with a massive gush of water pouring out from the National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA) straight onto the road, worsening the chaos.

In the middle of this deluge, a manhole cover got washed away, leaving a gaping hole. A red scooter rider, unaware of the danger, rode straight into the open manhole. For a heart-stopping second, disaster looked certain. But alert passersby sprang into action, grabbing the rider and the vehicle in time to prevent a serious accident.

TNIE was on the spot to witness the narrow escape. A local resident immediately reached out to jurisdictional MLA Rizwan Arshad, who contacted BBMP officials. Within a short time, a BBMP team arrived and restored the manhole cover.

Locals revealed that several vehicles had already been stuck in the open manhole earlier. A passerby had tried to mark the hazard by placing a portion of a tree trunk over it. But the barrier created fresh trouble as buses and cars started hitting the protruding log, stalling traffic. Frustrated drivers and passengers stepped out onto the flooded road and dragged the heavy trunk aside. Residents said the city's drains desperately need urgent desilting and cleaning before the real monsoon hits in about two weeks. "This is just the beginning," one said.

A team member from Rizwan Arshad's office said they will tour vulnerable areas and ensure BBMP replaces washed away manhole covers quickly.

UPSC EXAMS

Metro to start services at 6am on Sunday

Bengaluru: Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Ltd (BMRCL) will start Metro services at 6 am instead of the usual 7 am from all terminal stations -- Whitefield (Kadugodi) and Challaghatta on Purple Line, Madavara and Silk Institute on Green Line and RV Road and Bommasandra on the Yellow Line.

North corpn sounds alert on rickety buildings in Pulikeshinagar Division

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FOLLOWING the wall collapse incident at Bowring and Lady Curzon Hospital at Shivajinagar and heavy rains expected in the coming days, the Bengaluru North City Corporation (BNCC) has began issuing 'public alert' and appeals to residents to inform them about dilapidated buildings and dangerous compound walls in Pulikeshi Nagar Division of the corporation limit.

As per Pommala Sunil Kumar, Commissioner, BNCC, a public advisory has been issued regarding dilapidated buildings and dangerous compound walls in various wards of Pulikeshinagar Division.

"Preventive measures are being undertaken to identify dangerous buildings and walls, including government schools, private schools, government and private buildings, and compound walls located in wards such as Shampura, Kaval Bairasandra, Shakti Nagar, Periyar Nagar, Varalakshminagar, Doddannanagar, Kushalnagar, Sagayapuram, Pulikeshinagar and SK Garden," he said.

In case of any accident or untoward incident caused due to negligence, property owners concerned will be held directly responsible, he warned.

A senior official from BNCC Town Planning Department said that the roads are narrow and congested in Pulakeshinagar division and any mishap like building wall collapse, the fire force, ambulance and others cannot reach easily. Citizens have been requested to inform Pulikeshinagar Division officials through phone call or WhatsApp if they notice any dilapidated buildings or dangerous walls that may pose a threat to public safety.

The civic body also clarified that owners of private schools, private buildings and compound walls found to be in a dangerous condition have been instructed to immediately remove or repair them at their own cost and take necessary safety measures. "The civic body will not take up any demolition of such dangerous walls and houses, which are of a private nature, for free," he said.

BNCC Commissioner Pommala Sunil Kumar during an inspection drive on Thursday | EXPRESS

RING THEM UP

Officials to be contacted if dilapidated walls and dangerous structures are found in Pulakeshinagar Division:

Executive Engineer - Tippeswamy: 9538004111
Assistant Executive Engineer - Devarajaiah K.B.: 9886153161
Assistant Executive Engineer - Krishnappa V.R.: 8867196994
Assistant Executive Engineer - Raghavendra: 9845730883

Rethink on K'taka Public Schools crucial: Baraguru

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WRITER and academic Baraguru Ramachandrappa has called for a thorough review of the Karnataka Public School (KPS) concept being introduced by the state government, warning that it could create a crisis leading to the closure of neighbouring government schools.

He was speaking after inaugurating a national seminar on 'Kannada as the Language of Livelihood' organised by the Department of Kannada Studies at Dr Manmohan Singh Bengaluru City University at Central College on Thursday.

He said the government must carefully examine the long-term impact of KPS schools. Referring to the possible closure of government primary schools, he remarked that if schools shut due to government action, it amounts to "murder", while closure on their own would be equivalent to "suicide".

Questioning the need for pre-primary and primary sections within KPS institutions, he said accommodating children of vastly different age groups under one roof could create administrative and academic challenges. He urged Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to immediately look into the issue.

He also demanded that the state government focus on improving the quality of all existing government schools while ensuring effective English teaching from Class 1, as already announced. Ramachandrappa further called for grant-in-aid support to Kannada-medium private schools established after 1995 and advocated a national policy prioritising employment opportunities for locals.

Presiding over the event, Vice-Chancellor Ramesh B stressed the need to modernise Kannada usage to suit the demands of the competitive technological era. Special lectures were delivered by K Y Narayanaswamy, in-charge Vice-Chancellor of Maharani Cluster University, along with senior writers Rajappa Dalavayi and H L Pushpa, who interacted with students during the seminar. N Mukundaraj, president of the Karnataka Sahitya Academy was the chief guest.

Writer Baraguru Ramchandrappa (third from left) inaugurates the national seminar at Dr Manmohan Singh Bengaluru City University on Thursday. Vice-Chancellor Ramesh B, Kannada Department HoD Thandava Gowda and retired Kannada professor Rajappa Dalavai look on | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHIS

22nd May : Solar Conjunction Here's an image for the solar conjunction in Uranus: When each individual says the same thing, it doesn't feel like group unity. It feels creepy. That's because we instinctively know that too much agreement among humans is a signal of fear, not alignment. It makes the intelligent wonder: Is disagreement and dissent being punished? Is one person doing all thinking?

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
It's one thing to make a mistake, but quite another to participate in a tough and complicated system that you did not invent. The former warrants correction or maybe amends. The latter needs grace.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 - May 20)
Today's mission requires self-discipline. Luckily, your inner drive is set to "fierce." Later, these same moves won't require discipline at all. They will be so engrained in you, they will be almost effortless. But today, you'll muscle through.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)
Shimmering potential is the theme. You'll have the opportunity to start from scratch with all the right ingredients and instructions that work perfectly if you follow them closely. Beginner's luck is on your side, so go for it!

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)
No one builds a reputation on what they hope to do. You're working to realize your dreams. In the meantime, you're careful not to discuss your plans too widely. You'd rather wait and see their reaction to the real-world proof.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)
The ego isn't some villain. It's the part of you with personality, preferences, boundaries and conviction. Even so, things go better today when you don't let the ego be in charge of everything. Backing off often moves you forward.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
You'll act before you feel ready, and that's normal. Preparation has limits. There is a threshold where action teaches faster than planning. Step across it, collect feedback, adjust and continue until the impossible looks like something you simply did.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)
Counteract the effects of stress by taking frequent breaks, eating right and most importantly, getting good rest. The care you take now will affect how you'll do on the test that's coming up.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)
An idea might be good in conversation, but you can't build a reputation on it. Reputation grows from what you finish. Completed work travels and gets used, judged and remembered. Each finish line is proof that brings the next starting line.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
You'll run small experiments. Take one new thing at a time and use it on a real piece of work. Apply, observe, keep or discard. Assess what worked, what didn't, what you'd change -- that's where learning sticks.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
Though there's nothing wrong with being wrapped up in your work, if loved ones feel neglected, it could cause problems for you. These troubles can be completely prevented by spending quality time with them before it becomes an issue.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Focus gets results, but tunnel vision can make those results quite boring. You're more than one track. Let your curiosity wander. Give other interests some airtime. They cross-pollinate, spark ideas and make your work richer and more alive.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)
If everything good or everything bad is accounted for by the votes gained, then morality is at the whim of public opinion. That can't be right. You're sorting out what makes sense to you, which doesn't always match mainstream beliefs.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle ⬇

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TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

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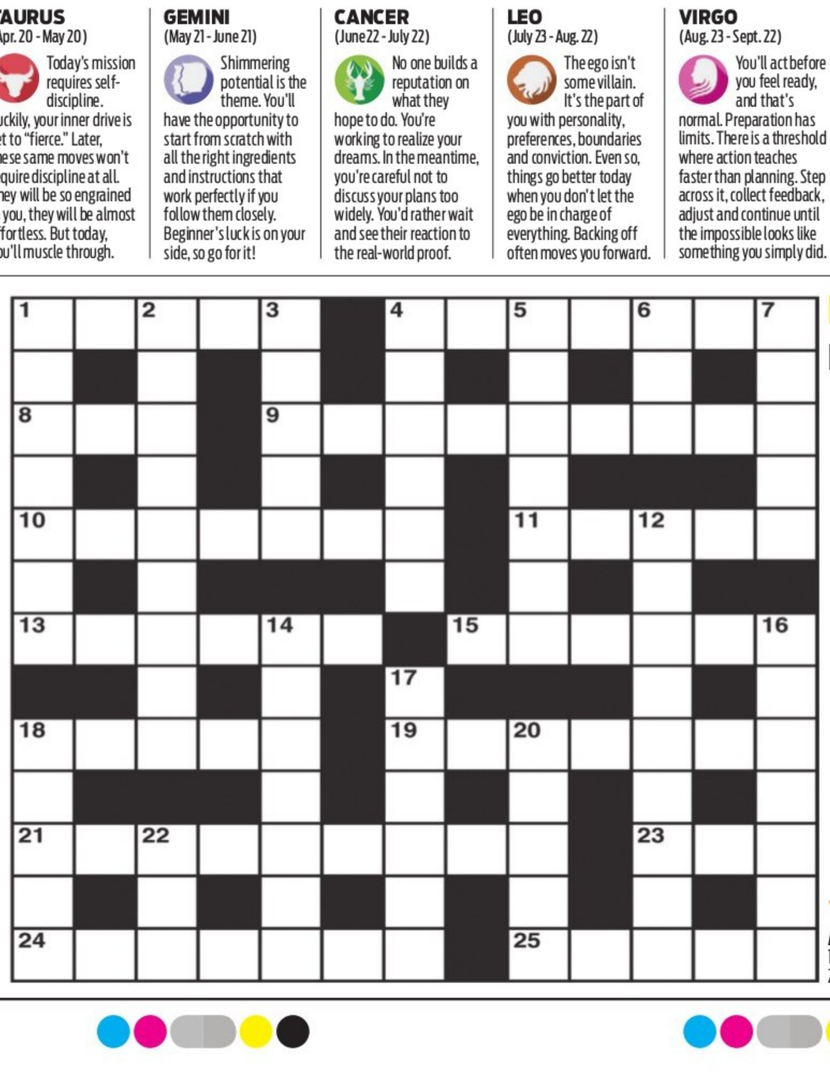

CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 The heartless politician with no time for music (5)
4 Where Joan of Arc was bound to be in jeopardy (2,5)
8 Pole following like a fool (3)
9 Financial expert comes into trouble (9)
10 I am included in exchanges of invective (7)
11 A bulk transport in Afghanistan (5)
13 Some take him for a scallywag - rightly! (6)
15 He forms characters and puts them in books (6)
18 It's an advantage for this girl to return (5)
19 Prayers from a money supplier to America (7)
21 Turn pride into downfall (9)
23 An attempt to indicate time past (3)
24 Business affair (7)
25 Given such a start where you should be (5)

DOWN

1 It pulls cart up hill (7)
2 Suspects water vapour causes corrosion (9)
3 Love to run the eye over a mountain nymph (5)
4 There's nothing in a trick to excite (6)
5 Recreation for the potter (7)
6 A name of some special interest (3)
7 Once the article for sale comes up, commend it (5)
12 Striking weapon for a formidable lady (6-3)
14 Bad air in cave may induce cupidity (7)
16 Ponders in order to make an appropriate reply (7)
17 People who are not in a movement to reform (6)
18 Subject of a Canaletto picture (5)
20 Gone astray near a port in Italy (5)
22 Manage to put on some speed (3)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Trench coat, 8 Laird, 9 Villain, 10 Therein, 11 Knave, 12 Obtuse, 14 In line, 17 Rioja, 19 Sultana, 21 Pothole, 22 Pride, 23 No man's land.

Down: 2 Raiment, 3 Nudge, 4 Havana, 5 Oilskin, 6 Tiara, 7 Inveterate, 8 Lithograph, 13 Sea room, 15 Italian, 16 Astern, 18 Often, 20 Lapel.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

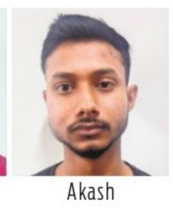
(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: FORGO ROBOT HYBRID CUDDLE
Answer: When customers kept coming back for more of her jam, she knew it was — "BERRY" GOOD

Fake call centres targeting US citizens busted

2 accused in Bengaluru, kingpins on the run

Prashanth


Akash

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THE state cyber command police arrested two persons for allegedly operating fake call centres in Bengaluru and cheating several US citizens by impersonating "QuickBooks", a prominent US-based accounting software company. The accused, Prashanth from Delhi and Akash from Uttar Pradesh, are aged between 25 and 35.

Southeast cyber crime police, along with the special cyber cell, raided four locations where the fake call centres were operating in Bengaluru. The accused were impersonating QuickBooks and cheating US citizens by providing counterfeit tax advice, fake licence keys, licensing and renewal services and collecting large sums of money as fee. The call centre personnel used fake names resembling those of the company officials and defrauded gullible citizens. During the raids, police seized 44 solid-state drives, two mobile phones, two laptops, nine CPUs, scripts prepared to converse with victims, and other accessories allegedly used for the fraud.

The preliminary probe revealed that the accused were operating the network for the past four years and had been in Bengaluru for the last two years. With around 30 employees, they operated from two locations in Koramangala and one each in HSR Layout and Choodasandra. When the employees were questioned, only a few were aware of the cheating.

The officer said they have launched a manhunt for the kingpins of the racket and two other accused who are absconding. The two arrested were operating the offices in the city by hiring college dropouts and other youngsters, employed with salaries upto Rs 20,000 per month. The accused had registered the company as a legitimate business entity and used multiple shell companies to siphon off huge amounts of money from US citizens.

FBI Boston flags scam

Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in Boston shared on X on Wednesday, "The FBI has shut down a call centre operation in India that defrauded hundreds of elderly victims in the US and abroad of millions of dollars through tech support scams. Two senior executives who operated a business that enabled the fraud have admitted to turning a blind eye to the widespread scam." FBI Boston investigation had resulted in the arrests and convictions of a former employee of the call-routing company and five India-based telemarketing fraudsters.

TAKE A BREAK

A girl rests on the median, taking a break from selling flower bouquets to commuters near Anil Kumble Circle in Bengaluru on Thursday | VINOD KUMAR T

Real estate agent accused of molesting girl at party

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A 20-year-old college student was allegedly molested by a man at a party in the Madiwala police station limits recently.

The police said the victim, a student, also worked part-time at a hotel. The hotel owners, who were planning to sell the property, had befriended a broker, Hainas, who had assured them that he will facilitate the sale within a couple of weeks. He had requested the hotel owners to host a small party. On May 11, the two hotel owners, the victim, and Hainas had gathered for a party at the owners' house. During the party, the two owners went out to bring food. Taking advantage of the situation, Hainas allegedly molested the woman, the complaint stated.

After the two owners returned and rescued her, the accused allegedly picked up a liquor bottle and threatened to kill them. When the victim tried to file a complaint, Hainas allegedly threatened her with dire consequences. On May 14, she noticed some unidentified persons moving around suspiciously near the hotel where she worked. She got frightened and left for Kerala. She claimed in her complaint that the hotel owners were assaulted by nine men, allegedly at the behest of the accused.

The Madiwala police registered a case against Hainas, who hails from Kerala, and issued a notice asking him to appear before them for questioning. The accused claimed that the physical relationship was consensual and that he can provide records of conversations between them to prove it. The police said he will be summoned for detailed questioning, and further legal action will be taken based on the investigation.

Seven Bakrid sheep stolen from godown

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M Saud Ahmed (23), a construction firm owner, has lost his seven sheep to a theft, ahead of Bakrid. Ahmed along with his relatives had purchased them to sacrifice on the festival and kept in an empty godown of a furniture shop on Thanisandra Main Road. A gang of seven miscreants came in a van and escaped with the sheep. A complaint was filed in Sampigehalli police station on Tuesday.

Ahmed said, "The sheep cost about Rs four lakh. The miscreants have damaged the roller shutter of the godown and entered at 3 am on Saturday. We realised the theft at 9 am on Sunday when I went to feed the sheep. "The vehicle's registration number is not clearly visible in the CCTV footage. We suspect that the accused must have sold the sheep for a cheaper price or taken them to a slaughter house," said an officer.

EXPRESS READ

Bike lifter held, 25 bikes recovered

BENGALURU: Kengeri police have arrested a 25-year-old habitual two-wheeler lifter accused of stealing the two-wheelers from parking lots, and recovered 25 two-wheelers and 12 domestic cylinders worth around Rs 15 lakhs from him. The accused, Abhishek, from Hemmigepura, was stealing the bikes using duplicate keys and selling them through online platforms. He has committed thefts in Kengeri, Girinagar, Chandra Layout, Bidadi and Hubballi. ENS

The Scheme That Gave Women The Freedom to Travel

The Shakthi Guarantee

A Lifeline for Crores of Women

Guarantee Varthe

Bengaluru: The 'Shakthi' scheme was the first among the five Guarantee schemes announced by the Government led by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah after assuming office in the state in 2023. Officially launched on June 11, 2023, the scheme provides free travel in government buses for women and girl students across the state. Over the past three years, this ambitious initiative has brought about a transformative change by ensuring freedom of travel to crores of women across Karnataka.

Women from lower and lower-middle-income backgrounds, including garment workers, civic workers, and daily wage earners, are now saving approximately ₹1,500 to ₹2,000 every month. These savings are being utilised for children's education, household expenses, medicines, and small savings. The scheme has enabled rural girl students to travel to towns and cities for higher education without financial burden. Following the implementation of the scheme, there has also been a significant rise in the number of women devotees visiting major temples and tourist destinations, thereby boosting religious tourism as well.

3 Years of Governance - Announcement of 'Guarantee Habba'

The State Government, which is stepping into the successful fourth year of its people-centric administration, held its three-year achievement convention successfully in Tumakuru on May 19. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah had announced that programmes would be organised throughout the month. Accordingly, the Government has launched programmes under the banner of 'Guarantee Habba', and several campaigns will be conducted across the month.

GUARANTEE HABBA
Stepping into the 4th year

"After an accident left me unable to work, the Government's guarantee schemes became a source of support. Free travel under the Shakthi scheme helped me visit the hospital without worrying about bus fare, bringing much-needed relief to my family.

○ **Ratnamma**, Bhadravati

"Free travel under the Shakthi scheme has made it easier for me to bring essentials for my tea shop from the market. Earlier, transport costs were a burden, but now the savings have helped me run my tea shop better.

○ **Seethalakshmi**, Hosanagara

"Worried about my daughter's future, I wanted to start a small clothing business from home, but travel costs made frequent market visits difficult. With free travel under the Shakthi scheme, I can now bring materials for my business without worrying about expenses.

○ **Shafia**, Shahapur

Over 726 Cr Journeys

According to government data, women passengers have availed over 726 crore free journeys under the 'Shakthi' scheme since its launch. So far, the government has issued tickets worth over ₹18,943 crore and continues to release subsidies to transport corporations on time. To manage the increasing passenger demand, thousands of new buses have been added to transport fleets. To further streamline the scheme and prevent misuse, the government is also moving towards introducing the 'Shakthi Smart Card' for women shortly.

A Model for Other States

Karnataka's 'Shakthi' scheme is not limited to free bus travel alone; by increasing women's mobility, it has instilled renewed confidence among them. The success of Karnataka's model has inspired several other states to implement similar initiatives. Telangana has introduced 'Mahalakshmi', Andhra Pradesh has launched 'Sthree Shakthi', and Kerala too has implemented a similar scheme. West Bengal has also announced a scheme and has moved towards implementation.

Statistics

₹18,943 Crore
Amount spent on the Shakthi scheme so far

Over 726 Crore
Total free tickets distributed so far

Women's Empowerment is the Foundation of a Prosperous Karnataka

The 'Shakthi' scheme is not merely a free transport facility; it represents our Government's unwavering commitment towards the dignity, equality, and progress of every woman in the state. Over the last three years, crores of free journeys have enabled women to access education, employment, and healthcare without financial barriers. An empowered woman is the pillar of a strong family, and strong families are the foundation of a prosperous Karnataka. Our Government remains committed to such progressive and inclusive development.

• Siddaramaiah, Chief Minister

Independent Travel A New Dimension to Women's Empowerment

Freedom of travel plays a vital role in women's empowerment. It opens access to employment, education, and market opportunities. The Shakthi scheme has not only reduced the financial burden on families but has also doubled women's active participation in Karnataka's socio-economic progress. As our Government steps into its fourth year of governance, we once again reaffirm our commitment towards building a more equal and empowered Karnataka.

• D.K. Shivakumar, Deputy Chief Minister

Public Transport on the Path of Progress

The Shakthi scheme has transformed Karnataka's public transport system into a powerful vehicle of women's progress. Every free ticket issued in our transport corporation buses stands as a symbol of women's rights, financial savings, and self-confidence. From rural regions to metropolitan cities, women today are travelling more confidently and independently than ever before. Our department remains committed to further strengthening public transport and ensuring the continued benefits of this historic scheme.

• Ramalinga Reddy, Minister for Transport

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the General Public that my clients Sri. Manjunath Sokkalingam, S/o Sokkalingam, residing at No.212, 9th Main, H.R.B.R. Layout, 1st Block, Kalyan Nagar, Bengaluru North-560043 and Mrs. Shantha Devi Singhvi, W/o late Shubh Chand Singhvi, residing at No.317/4, 9th main, 52nd Cross, 4th block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru North-560010, intend to purchase the Schedule Properties described herein under, from its present Owner M/s SUNSREE BUILDERS AND DEVELOPERS PRIVATE LIMITED, office at No.12/3, Udani Layout, Cambridge road, Bangalore-560008 represented by its Directors Mr. Raghuveer Gopal Hassan, S/o late H.S Gopal and Mrs. Geetha Gopal, W/o Late H.S Gopal. Any person/s objecting for the said purchase or having any right, title, interest or any type of claim over the property is/ are hereby called upon to file their objections/ claims whatsoever along with documentary proof within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice with the under mentioned advocate, failing which my clients shall proceed and complete the sale transaction with the above stated persons.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

ITEM NO.1: all that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing its Site No.2, House list No.2, Devasandra (Dyavasandra) village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently bearing BBMP Khata No.2/63, E-Aasthi No.9576015852, Ward No.35- Aramane Nagara, Bangalore, measuring about 2442 square feet in triangular shape formed out of 13.5 guntas in erstwhile Sy.Nos.31/1 and 32/2 of Devasandra village, bounded on : East by: New BEL Road, West by: Private Property, North by: private property, South by: Property bearing No.3, new No.64.

ITEM NO.2: all that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing its Site No.3, House list No.3, Devasandra (Dyavasandra) village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently bearing BBMP Khata No.3/64, E-Aasthi No.4817331318, Ward No.35- Aramane Nagara, Bangalore, measuring about 2530 square feet formed out of 13.5 guntas in Sy.Nos.31/1 and 32/2 of Devasandra village, bounded on : East by: New BEL Road, West by: Private Property, North by: Property bearing Site No.2, new No.63, South by: Property bearing No.5, new No.65.

ITEM NO.3: all that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing its Site No.5, House list No.5, Devasandra (Dyavasandra) village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Corporation Division No.2, presently bearing BBMP Khata No.5/65, E-Aasthi No.4218830606, Ward No.35-Aramane Nagara, Bangalore, measuring about 4864 square feet formed out of 13.5 guntas in Sy.Nos.31/1 and 32/2 of Devasandra village, bounded on : East by: New BEL Road, West by: Road, North by: Property bearing Site No.3, new No.64., South by: Property bearing Site No.6, new No.66.

ITEM NO.4: all that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing its Site No.6, House list No.6, Devasandra (Dyavasandra) village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently bearing BBMP Khata No.6/66, E-Aasthi No.9742985968, Ward No.35- Aramane Nagara, Bangalore, measuring about 4588 square feet formed out of 13.5 guntas in Sy.Nos.31/1 and 32/2 of Devasandra village, bounded on : East by: New BEL Road, West by: Road, North by: Property bearing Site No.5, new No.65, South by: Property bearing No.1 and NGO's Layout Site No.257.

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NEET paper leak: CM wants PM to apologise to students

Lambasts Centre, says states should be allowed to independently conduct medical entrance examinations through CET system

Karnataka Youth Congress chief Manjunath Gowda leads the party members during the protest against the NEET paper leak, in Bengaluru on Thursday | KEVIN NASHON

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KARNATAKA Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Thursday demanded that Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan take responsibility for the alleged NEET-UG 2026 question paper leak and tender an unconditional apology to students.

Speaking at a protest organised by Youth Congress at Freedom Park in Bengaluru against alleged irregularities in the NEET examination, Siddaramaiah said states should be allowed to independently conduct medical entrance examinations through the CET system. He alleged that despite the NEET paper leak controversy, neither the PM nor the Union Education Minister had accepted responsibility. "Dharmendra Pradhan has merely announced another date for the NEET examination and washed his hands of the issue. Both he and Prime Minister Narendra Modi must take responsibility," the CM added.

Claiming that Karnataka and several other states earlier conducted CET examination transparently for medical admissions, the CM said the system was changed after Modi became the PM in 2014 and NEET was introduced in 2016. He alleged that question paper leaks had occurred five times in the last 10 years.

Students spend an entire year preparing for NEET and many families spend thousands of rupees on coaching centres, he said, adding that poor and rural students who cannot afford coaching are placed at a disadvantage.

The CM accused the BJP government of discrimination against poor, Dalit, backward class and minority students and said education, being a subject in the Concurrent List, should not be excessively centralised.

Referring to alleged recruitment exam paper leaks during previous BJP governments in Karnataka led by BS Yediyurappa and Basavaraj Bommai, Siddaramaiah said repeated leaks had occurred both at the state and central levels under BJP rule.

He also alleged that students distressed by the NEET paper leak controversy had died by suicide and demanded compensation for their families. He urged the Centre to treat those responsible as "murderers" and punish them accordingly.

Siddaramaiah further demanded that Modi cut short his foreign tour and apologise unconditionally to NEET aspirants. He reiterated that the Centre should hand over the responsibility of conducting medical entrance examinations to individual states.

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>
> Siddaramaiah, Chief Minister

CM Siddaramaiah, AICC General Secretary Randeep Singh Surjewala and others hold a T-shirt that reads 'PM Is Compromised' during the protest led by Youth Congress members over the NEET exam paper leak, in Bengaluru on Thursday | KEVIN NASHON

K'taka to proceed with CET counselling without waiting for NEET results

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KARNATAKA Higher Education Minister MC Sudhakar said that the state would proceed with Common Entrance Test (CET) counselling for engineering and other professional courses without waiting for NEET results.

Speaking during the protest staged by Youth Congress members at Freedom Park in Bengaluru on Thursday, where thousands of students and Congress workers gathered over alleged irregularities in the NEET-UG examination, the minister announced that the state will go ahead with allotment of seats for engineering and other courses, delinking this process with NEET, adding that CET results are likely to be declared next week. He reiterated the Congress government's demand to revert to the pre-NEET system.

AICC General Secretary Randeep Singh Surjewala attacked the BJP-led NDA government, accusing it of "collapsing" the education system, citing instances of various paper leaks while pointing out its "systemic failure" in conducting national-level examinations. "For the last 12 years, the Modi government has handed over India's education system to an education mafia and paper leak mafia," he said. He alleged that multiple recruitment and entrance examinations, including NEET and other competitive tests, had been compromised during the tenure of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

'Paper Leak Pe Charcha'

Referring to past controversies, Surjewala cited the Vyapam case and alleged paper leaks in recruitment exams, calling them part of a continuing "pattern of failure" in the country's examination system. He said the country now needed a "Paper Leak Pe Charcha" instead of the Prime Minister's "Pariksha Pe Charcha". He alleged that the current system increasingly favoured coaching centre networks and "education mafias", while making it a disadvantage for students from rural areas and smaller towns.

Referring to the 2024 NEET controversy, he alleged that 67 students had secured full marks while thousands received grace marks, raising concerns over the examination's credibility. He also criticised the Centre for allegedly ignoring recommendations of the Radhakrishnan Committee, including proposals for digital question paper delivery and biometric verification. Questioning the functioning of the National Testing Agency (NTA), Surjewala referred to arrests made by the CBI in connection with the alleged leak and demanded answers from Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan and the PM.

Later, as the protesters attempted to march towards the Lok Bhavan, the march was curtailed by the police and the protestors were detained, while they even tried to cross the barricades that had been erected.

Senior BJP leader says Kharge eying CM post

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BJP National General Secretary Radha Mohan Das Agarwal on Thursday accused AICC President **Mallikarjun Kharge** of pitting Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and DyCM DK Shivakumar against each other and hoping to become the chief minister of Karnataka.

Speaking to media persons in Bengaluru, the BJP leader said that not just two leaders (Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar), but three of them, including Kharge, are fighting for the CM's chair, and for the past six to seven months, the state government has been non-functional.

The BJP leader said many Congress MLAs are in touch with them, but the people of the state have decided the 2028 assembly election results. Even if the elections are held tomorrow, people will vote Congress out and elect the BJP, he said.

Hitting out at the state government, he termed it a corrupt government based on the politics of appeasement. "It has deceived the people of Karnataka, the guarantees have not been fulfilled, and the government is facing a financial crisis," he said.

Responding to a question on the party not taking a decision on the Karnataka state unit president's appointment, he said they have a state president, and he is working. He said the decision on whether to continue Vijayendra as the state president or not will not be decided in a meeting in Bengaluru. The national leadership is aware of all the developments in the state, and the decision on the state unit president will be announced soon.

Council elections

The BJP leader said they have prepared a list of possible candidates for the MLC polls and will hold further discussions.

On renominating former PM and JDS leader HD Deve Gowda to Rajya Sabha, the BJP leader said it is an alliance issue, and the local unit will not talk about it and the national unit will decide. The BJP national leadership is aware of day-to-day developments in the state, he said.

Meanwhile, BJP president Nitin Nabin is scheduled to hold a series of meetings with his party leaders in Bengaluru on Sunday. During his first visit to Karnataka as the party's national president, Nabin will attend the party's state core committee meeting and state office-bearers meeting, and review the party's preparations for the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls by the Election Commission.

Mekedatu DPR to be submitted to Centre soon, says Shivakumar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mysuru

KARNATAKA Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar, who also holds the water resources portfolio, has said that the Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the Mekedatu project has been prepared and will soon be submitted to the Union Government for approval.

Speaking to reporters at the Madhyaranga Temple in Kollegal, Chamarajanagar district, Shivakumar said that the groundbreaking ceremony for the project will be performed after receiving clearance from the Centre. "We have already prepared the DPR for the Mekedatu project and opened a dedicated project office. Land is being identified to compensate for the forest area that will be submerged. The DPR will soon be submitted to the Centre, and after approval, the foundation stone for the project will be laid," he said.

On the long-standing Cauvery water-sharing dispute, Shivakumar said that Tamil Nadu has no right to object to the Mekedatu project. He said the Supreme Court had directed that the issue should be decided by the Central Water Commission.

The Deputy Chief Minister, on government completing three years, said the government had fulfilled its promises and introduced Bhoo Guarantee as its sixth guarantee scheme.

"We are issuing property records with photographs of both the owner and the property and delivering khata documents to every household. These are works no previous government undertook. We are repaying the trust of the people," he said, adding that more developmental works would be taken up in the remaining two years of the government's tenure.

Expressing concern over possible rainfall deficiency this year, Shivakumar said the government was discussing measures to protect farmers and address potential drinking water shortage if the monsoon fails.

Rejecting superstitions associated with Chamarajanagar, he said the belief that leaders lose power after visiting the district was baseless. "Chamarajanagar is a historic and sacred land blessed with religious and natural wealth along the banks of the Cauvery. Where there is devotion, there is God," he said.

Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar at the Madhyarangana Temple at Kollegal in Chamarajanagar district on Thursday | EXPRESS

Cabinet discusses Domestic Workers Bill, grievance redressal panel planned

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka Cabinet on Thursday discussed the Domestic Workers (Social Security and Welfare) Bill aimed at ensuring welfare measures and social security benefits for domestic workers. The Bill has been deferred. Under the Bill, the State Government proposes to set up a separate Grievance Redressal Committee to resolve disputes among workers, employers and service providers. The Bill also proposes strict action against employers or agencies found violating the rules

Also proposed under the Bill is The Karnataka Domestic Workers Social Security and Welfare Fund. According to the Bill, workers engaged for more than one hour will be recognised as part-time workers. By registering and obtaining a labour card, they will be eligible to avail benefits under various government welfare schemes.

It also stresses on maternity and paternity benefits for eligible women and men beneficiaries, limited to up to two children, and financial assistance for the education of children of registered beneficiaries, as prescribed.

CM Siddaramaiah leaves after the cabinet meet in Vidhana Soudha | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

52 criminal cases withdrawn

The State Government has decided to withdraw 52 criminal cases registered across the state.This has been done in compliance with the directives of courts and based on the recommendations of the Cabinet Sub-Committee. ost of the cases are against pro-Kannada organisations and activists who were involved in various protests. There are also cases that were registered during Covid-19,

The Cabinet approved the appointment of retired High Court judge Justice PN Desai as chairperson of the Human Rights Commission.

The Cabinet also approved setting up of a petrol pump and retail outlet by Indian Oil Corporation Ltd under the dealership model on land belonging to the Prisons Department within the premises of Bengaluru Central Prison.

The Cabinet approved a programme to provide 500 students from backward classes with two years of residential PUC education (First PUC and Second PUC – Science stream), along with NEET/JEE/CET entrance exam coaching. The scheme will cost the government Rs 15 crore. It will cover 15 students from each district who studied in government schools and secured the highest marks in Mathematics and Science in the Class 10 board examination.

CM Siddaramaiah is convening an important day-long meeting with Congress MLAs, former MLAs, MPs, former MPs and heads of various party units to discuss SIR on May 24. AICC General Secretary Randeep Singh Surjewala too is expected to attend.

Sources in the government said concerns have been raised over voter mapping. There is an apprehension that 66% voters in Raichur, 46% in Bengaluru and 6-8% in places like Hassan would be removed from the voter list.

The sources also said that the deletions could be more in places like Raichur, Yadgir and other districts, from where people migrate to bigger cities in search of jobs. A large number of people arrive in Bengaluru and that could be the reason for high deletions.

> **The Congress has deceived the people of Karnataka, the guarantees have not been fulfilled, and the government is facing a financial crisis**
>
> Radha Mohan Das Agarwal, BJP National General Secretary

UNIQUE INITIATIVE

Smart moo-ve: Cattle to get own 'Aadhaar' soon

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

THE State Government is introducing digital identification for cattle, using muzzle biometrics. The barcode-based identification system will help track vaccination records, health status, and insurance or death-related claims. This will act like Aadhaar card for cattle.

A first-of-its-kind initiative in India, the system is expected to replace traditional ear tags that require piercing of ears. The mechanism is now ready for pilot implementation.

In future, farmers may be able to upload photos of their cattle through the same system, enabling digital health assessment and faster access to government services.

Speaking to TNIE, Principal Secretary to Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms (e-Governance), Pankaj Kumar Pandey said that the initiative would enable accurate identification of cattle through unique muzzle prints similar to human being's finger prints.

"The initiative will also help prevent fraud in livestock-related schemes and improve transparency in implementation," he said.

He also said this can be replicated across multiple grievance redressal and livestock management systems in the state.

Shreevyas HM, Project Director, Artificial Intelligence Cell, Centre for e-Governance (CeG), said ridges on a cattle's nose (muzzle) form a unique pattern of lines, bumps and furrows.

"The state has over one crore cattle population and it grows by over 10 lakh every year. At present, ear piercing is used to identify cattle. With AI-enabled digitalisation mechanism, identification will be easier," he said.

With this initiative, farmers will get SMS alerts on vaccination dates. The digital recording can be done for new born cattle too. "In future, health-related assessment of cattle can be done by scanning photos of muzzle," he said.

The AI-powered system is expected to strengthen digital governance in the animal husbandry sector while ensuring efficient tracking and authentication of livestock.

KEY OBEJCTIVES

- Replace conventional ear-tag systems
- Prevent fraud in livestock-related schemes
- Enable reliable identification of cattle

The headmaster of Kelur Higher Primary School in Mundargi taluk of Gadag district has come up with a novel idea to encourage rural students to take admission – Rs 1,000 fixed deposit in a bank account in the student's name. The idea was mooted by headmaster SM Patil after witnessing poor enrolment of students in his school

FAILED GUARANTEE

Gruha Lakshmi beneficiaries go to HC over dues

Arrears unpaid despite budgetary allocation and continuation of the scheme for 2025-26

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

TWO beneficiaries of the 'Gruha Lakshmi' guarantee scheme have moved the Karnataka High Court, seeking directions to the state government to release the arrears for February and March of 2025. The petitioners pointed out that the amounts were not released despite Women and Child Development Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar admitting on the floor of the Legislative Assembly that payments had not been disbursed.

A vacation division bench of Justices Suraj Govindaraj and K Manmadha Rao on Thursday issued notice to the principal secretaries of the Finance Department, Panchayat Raj Department and Director of the Department of Women and Child Development, and posted the matter to June 4 to allow the state to file its response.

The court was hearing the petition filed by R Ganga and G D Pavithra, residing in the city, seeking an urgent hearing for the release of the arrears, Rs 2,000 each per month, which is given to the woman head of each household.

The petitioners stated that the arrears remain unpaid despite budgetary allocation and continuation of the scheme for 2025-26. This caused severe hardship to women dependent on the scheme for basic household expenses and livelihood, they stated. They requested the court to issue directions to the state to keep the money in an escrow account during the pendency of the petition.

The arrears amounted to Rs 5,000 crore. The root cause of the lapse lies in the decision taken in February to route payments under the scheme through taluk panchayats by way of Direct Benefit Transfer instead of through the Department of Women and Child Development. This transition delayed the payments, but the finance department did not carry forward the amount into the new financial year, resulting in the lapse of those instalments, the petitioners added.

The nonpayment has affected around 1.20 crore beneficiaries across the state, the petitioners alleged. Administrative lapses and failure to disburse the statutory benefits are a violation of the fundamental rights of beneficiaries guaranteed under Articles 14 and 21 of the Constitution, they argued.

K'taka ranks 5th in graft: Upa Lokayukta

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Mandya

Upalokayukta B Veerappa chairs a meeting in Mandya on Thursday | EXPRESS

EXPRESSING serious concern over growing corruption in government departments, Upa Lokayukta B Veerappa said Karnataka has ranked fifth in corruption in the country and warned that failure to curb the menace could lead to dangerous consequences in the future.

Inaugurating a programme for hearing and disposal of pending cases from Mandya and Malavalli taluks at the Dr BR Ambedkar Bhavan in Mandya on Thursday, Justice Veerappa said corruption had spread across every department in the state administration.

The Upa Lokayukta was visiting Mandya district for the second time within a year to review pending complaints and cases. He expressed displeasure over the inability of district authorities to dispose of cases effectively.

"Merely giving assurances is not enough. Officials themselves must change," he said, stating that government officials must use their authority to ensure justice for the public and discharge their duties responsibly and sincerely.

He said everyone, from ordinary citizens to senior officials, should work with honesty and good intent. "India stands at the 91st position among 140 countries in corruption rankings, while Karnataka is placed fifth among Indian states. Both officials and citizens must change to eradicate corruption," he said.

Justice Veerappa revealed that 1,281 illegal or corruption-related cases had been detected across 16 districts in Karnataka. He warned officials to work honestly and with integrity, failing which action would be initiated against them.

Deputy Commissioner Kumar praised Justice Veerappa for his commitment against injustice and described him as a highly active and dedicated officer. He said Veerappa had disposed of nearly 30,000 cases during his judicial career and around 7,000 cases during his tenure in the Lokayukta institution.

Surprise inspection at Belur

Justice Veerappa conducted a surprise inspection at the Belur gram panchayat office in the taluk and reportedly uncovered several lapses in administration. He expressed anger against PDO Siddaraju and other staff members for failing to provide requested files and warned that a suo motu case would be registered against them.

The Upa Lokayukta spent more than an hour inspecting records, and found irregularities in the maintenance of property and e-khata records. Officials were unable to provide proper details regarding layouts and encroachments, drawing sharp rebuke from him.

He also observed apparent tampering of registers and noted that the PDO had not signed registers since October 2025. Justice Veerappa directed officials to issue notices to officials who fail to make themselves present even during the Lokayukta's visit.

Questioning the absence of the zilla panchayat deputy secretary and executive officer during the inspection, he slammed higher officials for failing to monitor the functioning of the gram panchayat.

World Bank visit to Karwar boosts K Shore project

SUBHASH CHANDRA N S @ Karwar

THE state government's K Shore programme – designed to curb marine pollution while simultaneously enhancing tourism and safeguarding marine life – has now gained momentum following a recent visit to Karwar by a team from the World Bank.

The government has submitted a proposal to the World Bank seeking assistance of Rs 850 crore to ensure a pollution-free coastline, free from plastic contamination.

The initiative is aimed at maintaining clean beaches, strengthening coastal livelihoods and local economies, and preventing plastic waste from entering the sea. Under the proposal, the state has requested Rs 588 crore from the World Bank (approximately 70 per cent), while the remaining Rs 252 crore (around 30 per cent) will be borne by the state government. Of the total funds, Uttara Kannada district has been allocated Rs 250 crore for implementation of multiple programmes.

Teen girl rescued after trying to jump from 5th floor terrace

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

PANIC gripped NRI Layout in Ramamurthy Nagar after a 16-year-old girl attempted to end her life by jumping from the fifth floor of an apartment building on Thursday morning. Fire and Emergency Services personnel, along with the police, rescued the girl, who is suspected to be mentally ill and undergoing treatment.

The police said that around 11.30 am, the girl had climbed to the terrace of the ground-plus-four-floor apartment building in NRI Layout and shouted that she would jump from there. Residents, who noticed the girl attempting to end her life, immediately alerted the Namma 112 and fire personnel. They also tried to convince her to climb down.

Fire personnel and police personnel, who rushed to the scene, climbed the apartment building and brought her down after struggling with her for a few minutes on the terrace. The girl, who resides far away from the apartment, entered the building as the gate was kept open.

The police added that, according to her family members, she was undergoing treatment at a hospital for mental illness, and family disputes may have led her to take the extreme step. However, the exact reason for the attempt is yet to be ascertained. The girl was shifted to NIMHANS for further treatment and counselling.

HELPLINE

If you are having suicidal thoughts, or are worried about a friend or need emotional support, someone is always there to listen. Call Sneha Foundation - 04424640050, Tele Manas - 14416 (available 24x7) or iCall, the Tata Institute of Social Sciences' helpline - 02225521111, which is available Monday to Saturday from 8 am to 10 pm.

Boy rescued by Hoysala police after getting locked in toilet

A five-year-old boy trapped inside the washroom of his house was rescued by the Hoysala police near Rajajinagar 1st Block. The police said that around 10.30 am on May 18, the boy's father called Namma 112 and told his child was trapped inside a toilet. The Hoysala team rushed to the spot within two minutes and entered the washroom through the rear-side window. The police then opened the door from inside and rescued the child. **ENS**

DOCUMENT LOST

I, Thriveni V B W/o E Evendran Babu residing at No. 269, 4th Main Road, BHCS Layout, Uttarahalli, Bangalore-560061 do hereby inform to General public that in between 16-5-2026 and 19-5-2026, while I was travelling near uttarahalli Bangalore, I have lost two documents of cancellation of sale agreement pertaining to the Schedule property Bangalore South Taluk, Uttarahalli Hobli, Uttarahalli village, BBMP Ward no 184, Site no 45A, EPID NO.4014300884. Katha no. 1956/12/1/45 A vide Document no 1216/2008-09 dated 7-6-2008 and 5693/2012-13 dated 12-9-2012. Inspite of my Best efforts could not trace the same hand in this regard, 19-5-2026. I have lodged online complaint at Police unit. Bangalore city, vide lost report No. 2211462/2026. If anybody finds the above documents or is in possession, please handover the same to the above said address or contact me on **9902915050**.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby notified that our clients intend to purchase the property described in the **Schedule Property** herein and for the same, we are investigating the Title of the current owner **M/s. Kasturba Education Trust**, who purchased the Schedule Property vide registered document **No. GNR-08921/2024-25** in the Office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, Ganganagar, Bangalore.

Any person(s) or entity claiming any rights or title or having objection of whatsoever nature in respect to the below mentioned Schedule Property may lodge their objections and/or claims in writing with the undersigned along with the supporting documentary evidence within **7 days** from the date of publication of this Public Notice, failing which all such claims and objections will be deemed waived and abandoned. Claims received thereafter will not be binding on our clients and clients will proceed to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property as if there are no claims/objections.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Residential Apartment Flat No. **143** on **14th Floor** in **Tower-1** of residential complex **"PEBBLE BAY"**, measuring **2770 Sq.Ft.**, of super built up area (inclusive of proportionate share in common areas) with **2 Car Parking** space in the basement carved out of Sy. Nos. 6 (P), 17(P), 18, 19/1, 19/2, 19/3, 19/4, 19/5, 19/6, 19/7, 19/8, 19/9, 19/10 and 19/11, 20/1 and 35, admeasuring 11 Acres 20 guntas situated in Nagashetty Halli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk

Adv. Anupam Agarwal
Ramniwas Surajmal
(Advocates & Solicitors)
No. 511, 5th Floor, A Wing, Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore - 560001.
anupam@rslegal.in Mob. : 97406 45762
Date: 22/05/2026 Place: Bangalore

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY APPELLATE TRIBUNAL AT CHENNAI
(Addl. Office Building, Sasthri Bhavan, E-Wing, 7th Floor, Haddows Road, Chennai- 600 006)

I.A.Nos. 714,715,716 & 717 of 2025 in M.A. No.10 of 2015

Nanjundaradhya (Deceased), Rep. by his LRs Mr. K.N. Basavaradhya and 8 others **....Petitioners/ proposed appellants**

-Verses-

State Bank of India, J.C. Road Branch, Bengaluru & 3 others **...Respondents/ Respondents**

To, 1. Mr. K.R. Srinivas (R2), Proprietor M/s Photomax Sales and Service, No.24, Shabari Complex, Residency Road, Bengaluru-560025, R/at No.59/45, 10th "B" Main Road, 1st Block, Jaya Nagar, Near Ashoka Pillar, Bengaluru

2. Mr. Rajanna (R3), S/o Shivamurthy, 4th Block, JayaNagar, Bengaluru- 560 011

Please take notice that the above petitioners/ proposed appellants have filed the Applications in I.A No.IA 714/2025 (Delay in re-presentation), I.A No. 715/2025 (Delay in set aside abatement), I.A.No. 716/2025 (set aside abatement), & I.A.No 717/2025 (Impleading) in M.A.No.10/2025. The above petitions in Misc. Appeal No.10/2015 came up for hearing before the Hon'ble Chairperson, DRAT, Chennai on 29.04.2026 wherein the Hon'ble Chairperson, DRAT, Chennai has ordered notice to you through substituted service by way of paper publication returnable by 04.06.2026. Therefore you are required to appear before the Hon'ble Chairperson, DRAT, Chennai on **04.06.2026** at **10.30 A.M.** either in person or through your counsel failing which the above applications will be heard and decided in your absence.

Counsel for Petitioners/Proposed Appellants
M/s R.SURESH &
A. CHANDRASEKARAN

WEST BENGAL STATE ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION COMPANY LIMITED
(A Government of West Bengal Enterprise)
Registered Office: Vidyut Bhavan, Block-DJ, Sector-II, Bidhannagar, Kolkata-700091
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WBSETCL

NIT No.: CE(P)/WBSETCL/Trf_Oil/26-27/03 Date: 22.05.2026

E-Tender is invited for **procurement of EHV Grade Transformer Oil.** Bid documents can be downloaded from **22.05.2026, 11:00 A.M.** and bids shall be submitted (online) up to **04:00 P.M., 19.06.2026.** ICA-T8251(3)/2026

Visit the following websites - www.wbtenders.gov.in, www.wbsetcl.in for details.

KARNATAKA VETERINARY, ANIMAL & FISHERIES SCIENCES UNIVERSITY,
Nandi Nagar, PB No.6, BIDAR-585401, (Karnataka)
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR
Phone : 08482-245241 Fax: 08482-245360

No:R/KVAFSU/(Rectt. Teaching posts/2026-27 Date:21.05.2026

RECRUITMENT NOTIFICATION

Sub: Recruitment for Teaching posts at Karnataka Veterinary, Animal & Fisheries Sciences University, Bidar ...reg

The Karnataka Veterinary, Animal & Fisheries Sciences University, Bidar invites the Applications from the eligible candidates for recruitment of various Teaching posts. The detailed Vacancy Position, Prescribed Qualifications, General instructions and other details can be downloaded from the University **website: www.kvafsu.edu.in.**

The candidates who fulfill the eligibility requirements can submit the application in online mode only from University **website: www.kvafsu.edu.in** from **22.05.2026 to 20.06.2026.**

Sd/-
(P.T.Ramesh)
REGISTRAR

Can Fin Homes Ltd
Kanakapura Road Branch
No. 58, 6th cross, Manjunathnagara, Raghuvanahalli, Bangalore 560 062
Phone : 080-29751565/7625079172
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CIN: L85110KA1987PLC008699

APPENDIX IV-A
[proviso to rule 9(1)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., Kanakapura Road Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on **16.06.2026** "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 21.05.2026, for recovery of **Rs.19,00,000** (Rupees Nineteen Lakhs Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **AISHWARYA K and ABHILASHA A (Borrowers) and PRAJWAL R (Guarantors)**, as on 21.05.2026, together with further interest and other charges thereon. The reserve price will be **Rs.14,96,000/-** (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Ninety Six Thousand only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.1,49,600/-** (Rupees One Lakh Fourty Nine Thousand Six Hundred only)

Description of the Immovable Property:-

All that Piece & Parcel of Property bearing Northern portion of Site No: 158, Kodigehalli Village gramathanasy no 50/3, 50/4 and old sy no 50/1, New sy no 108, site measuring Eest to West (35+33)/2 feet and North to South:25 feet, in all measuring 850 sfts situated at Kodigenahalli village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk – 560091 and Bounded on the East by : site no 151, West by : Road, North by : Road, South by : Remaining property of same House list no.158.

ENCUMBRANCE :- NIL

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx).

Link for participating in e-auction : www.auctionbazaar.com

Date: 21.05.2026
Place : Bengaluru
Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.

VISTAAR FINANCIAL SERVICES PRIVATE LIMITED
VISTAAR FINANCE
CIN: U67120KA1991PTC059126, RBI Registration No. B-02.00251
Regd. Office : Plot No 59 & 60 - 23, 22nd Cross, 29th Main, BTM Layout, 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560076, Karnataka.

NOTICE FOR ADDRESS CHANGE OF BRANCH

Notice is hereby given that due to operational reasons our Branch Office situated at **#274/1, Anekal Main Road, Iggalur, Chandapura, PIN - 560099, Karnataka,** has been Changed and all transactions shall henceforth be carried on from our Branch Office situated at the address given below. For any claims / outstanding dues / grievances, stakeholders are requested to contact the below address.

Vistaar Financial Services Pvt. Ltd.,
Municipal No. 121, Old No. 110/36, BDA No. 110, 1st Floor, 4th Cross, 3rd Main, Dr. Shivarama Karanth Road, Hanumantha Nagar, Bengaluru, PIN - 560019 Karnataka. Mob No. : 8310319738 / 8904461228
E-mail: cm.bangalore@vistaarfinance.com
ops.bangalore@vistaarfinance.com
Place: Bengaluru

Vistaar Financial Services Pvt. Ltd.
Sd/-
Authorised signatory

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

CONVENT HIGH SCHOOL, KESHWAPUR, HUBLI-23
(Religious Minority, Pvt Aided High School,
run by St. Joseph's Education & Medical Relief Society, Mumbai.)

Applications are invited for the following post in the above mentioned Religious Minority Aided School, as per the permission of Commissioner of Public Instruction, Dharwad.

Order no. ಜಿ2:ಶಾಶಿಅ: ಖಾಹುತುಅ/73/2015-16/3024 Dated: 10/01/2023

DESIGNATION OF POST: (Asst. Teacher) History, PERMITTED SUBJECT: Social Science, NO OF POST: 1, RESERVATION: RELIGIOUS MINORITY. RESERVATION NOT APPLICABLE, MEDIUM: English, SALARY SCALE: 33450-62600

Applications should be sent to the following address within 21 days from the date of publication of this notice. A copy of the same should be sent to Dy D. P. I. Dharwad.

THE MANAGER
Sacred Heart Convent.
Convent High School, Keshwapur, Hubli -23

TOWN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, SAKLESHPUR BM ROAD , SAKLESHPUR -573134
Email:itstaff_ulb_sakleshpura@yahoo.com Phone:08173-244042 www.sakaleshpuratown.mrc.gov.in
NO:munici/JE/PR/01/2026-27 DATE: 19-05-2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION: :Through e-ProcurementPortal :

Sakleshpur Municipality has invited tenders through e-portal as per KW-1/2/3 rules as per KTPP Act 2000. Interested contractors should download the tender conditions EMD and documents from (http://Kppp. karnataka.gov.in) and submit tenders only through online.The date of submission and opening of tenders is mentioned in the e-portal. For further details regarding the tender regulations, the Technical Branch of Sakleshpur Municipality can be contacted during office hours. SL.No.INDENT NO 1.DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT 56666 Estimate amount (Rs in lakhs)10.00 Reservation OTHERS 2.DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT56656 Estimate amount (Rs in lakhs)10.00 Reservation OTHERS 3.DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT56650 Estimate amount (Rs in lakhs)69.00 Reservation CAT-2a 4.DMA/2026-27/OW/WORK_INDENT57646 Estimate amount (Rs in lakhs)60.50 Reservation SC 5.DMA/2026-27/OW/WORK_INDENT57779 Estimate amount (Rs in lakhs)80.00 Reservation OTHERS 6.DMA/2026-27/OW/WORK_INDENT57811 Estimate amount (Rs in lakhs)65.50 Reservation OTHERS Last date of submission 03-06-2026 Time 5.30 PM Note:- Tender dates and other changes due to any reason will not be published in the daily newspaper. They will be notified in the e-procurement. For more details, the contractor should check the portal at (http://Kppp. karnataka.gov.in)

Sd/-Administaration and Sub-Divisional Officers , TMC Sakleshpur
Sd/-Chief Officer TMC Sakleshpur

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ಹಿಸನಿ/ಹಾಸನ/151/ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂಸಿಎ/2026–27

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public are hereby informed that, my client Sri. Sudheer Kumar, S/o. Late. Gangadharappa, aged about 54 years, Res. at No. 2569/55, 7th a Main, RPC Layout, Hampinagar, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru - 560 104. Intends to purchase the Residential House from Mr.Chikkanna, S/o. Mylarappa, resident of No.68/61, Hosahallipalya Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru - 562 123, In respect of the below mentioned schedule property, Any person, claiming to have any charge, lien, interest, minor claims, right/s whatsoever over the property may lodge the claim to the undersigned with documentary proof on or before 30/05/2026 failing which my client will treat that there are no objections or claims in respect of the schedule property. No claims shall be entertained thereafter.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Immovable Property bearing No.68/61, the E Katha No.150200203300500067, Khaneshumari, No.42/55, Hosahallipalya Village, Gopalapura Grama Panchayath, Dasanapura Hobli, measuring 800 Sqft, bounded on the East by : Road, West by : Property belongs to Bandiyappa, North by : 10ft Road and South by : 8 ft Road.

Kubendra .Y.J, Advocate
No. 505, 1st Floor, 10th Main, M.C.Layout, Vijayanagar, Bangalore - 560 040. Mobile : 99861-4775
panchamukiassociates@gmail.com
Date: 21.05.2026

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
REGIONAL INSTITUTE OF OPHTHALMOLOGY, MINTO OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL, BENGALURU
Bangalore Medical College & Research Institute
(An Autonomous Institute of Govt. of Karnataka)
Phone: 080-26707176; E-mail: mintobangalore@gmail.com

No.: RIO/MOH/Sup(2)/81/2025-26 Date: 21.05.2026

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

E-tender has been invited as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurements act 1999 for the Purchase of Medical Equipment which is required for Regional Institute of Ophthalmology, Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, BMCRI.

The tender documents can be downloaded from e-procurement website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from **21.05.2026** and last date for submission of tenders through e-procurement website is: **20.06.2026** up to **5:00 pm. Tenders submitted without the prescribed E.M.D. will be rejected. For further details please contact:** Director, Regional Institute of Ophthalmology, Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, BMCRI, Bengaluru.

Sd/-, Director
Regional Institute of Ophthalmology, Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, BMCRI
DIPR/CP/LC/768/2026-27

कर्मचारी राज्य बीमा निगम
(श्रम एवं रोजगार मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)
Employees' State Insurance Corporation
(Ministry of Labour & Employment, Govt. of India)
मुख्यालय/HEADQUARTERS
पंचदीप भवन, सी.आई.जी. मार्ग, नई दिल्ली–110002
PANCHDEEP BHAWAN, C.I.G. MARG, NEW DELHI-110002
E-mail: jd-rectt@esic.gov.in
Website: www.esic.gov.in

RECRUITMENT OF TEACHING FACULTY (PROFESSORS) IN ESIC PGIMSRs AND ESIC MEDICAL COLLEGES ON DIRECT RECRUITMENT BASIS

Employees' State Insurance Corporation, under the administrative control of Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India, proposes to fill up the Teaching Faculty positions on the post of Professors in ESIC PGIMSRs and ESIC Medical Colleges **on direct recruitment basis.**

S. No.	Specialties	Vacancies					
		SC	ST	OBC	EWS	UR	Total
1.	Anatomy	1	1	2	1	2	7
2.	Anesthesiology	1	1	2	0	3	7
3.	Biochemistry	1	1	1	0	1	4
4.	Community Medicine	1	1	2	1	2	7
5.	Dermatology	0	0	0	0	1	1
6.	Emergency Medicine	1	1	1	1	2	6
7.	Forensic Medicine and Toxicology (FMT)	1	0	1	1	2	5
8.	General Medicine	4	0	4	0	0	8
9.	General Surgery	1	0	3	1	3	8
10.	Microbiology	1	1	1	1	3	7
11.	Ophthalmology (Eye)	1	0	1	1	1	4
12.	Orthopedics	2	1	2	0	3	8
13.	Otorhinolaryngology (ENT)	1	0	1	0	0	2
14.	Pediatrics	0	2	2	0	2	6
15.	Pathology	1	1	3	0	1	6
16.	Pharmacology	1	1	1	0	2	5
17.	Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation	1	0	0	0	1	2
18.	Physiology	1	1	2	0	1	5
19.	Psychiatry	1	0	1	0	1	3
20.	Radiodiagnosis (Radiology)	1	0	2	0	1	4
21.	Respiratory Medicine	1	0	2	0	1	4
22.	Transfusion Medicine(Blood Bank)	2	1	3	1	2	9
	Total	**25**	**13**	**37**	**8**	**35**	**118**

Note:-
1. Reserved vacancies include backlog vacancies of 11 for SC, 6 for ST and 23 for OBC categories.
2. 8 posts are reserved for the PwBD against current vacancies, (a)-2. (b)-2, (c)-2 and (d & e) -2.
3. The number of vacancies may increase or decrease depending upon actual requirement.

The detailed advertisement having details of Pay structure, Age, Eligibility Criteria — Educational Qualification, Experience, Research Publications etc. and other terms and conditions is available on the website of ESIC **www.esic.gov.in/recruitments.** The candidates willing to apply for above posts are advised to refer to the detailed advertisement.

Last date of receipt of applications is 27.07.2026.

Sd./-
Joint Director (Recruitment)

RTI activist Gangaraju was arrested by the police on Thursday after allegedly driving his car for nearly 500 metres with a man clinging to its bonnet. The victim, Dhananjaya, had reportedly approached Gangaraju seeking repayment of money owed to him. An argument broke out between the two during the discussion. The police said when Gangaraju attempted to drive away in his car, Dhananjaya tried to stop the vehicle and ended up hanging onto the bonnet

DUBARE TRAGEDY

'19 report warned against tourists going near jumbos

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

THE pressure of visitors and their proximity to elephants in camps needs to be checked as an influx of visitors was noticed at the Dubare and Sakrebyle elephant camps, read a report prepared by a committee constituted by the Karnataka High Court to evaluate the condition of elephants at camps in Karnataka.

"It is a good practice to allow visitors to come to the camp and see the animals at close quarters. However, the team felt that visitors were a shade closer to the elephants at Dubare. We would recommend instituting some restrictions and keeping the elephants slightly away from people's reach," the report read.

But these directions, issued in 2019, were never implemented. The ground staff at the forest department said they are not aware of any such report. The committee members, however, said that had the recommendations been implemented, the tragedy of a Tamil Nadu tourist getting crushed to death in a fight between two elephants on May 18 could have been avoided.

The 15-page report was prepared on the directions of the HC in 2019. The high court was hearing a PIL (WP 21570/2019) seeking a study of the condition of elephant camps, deaths of captive elephants and steps to be taken to improve the condition of the camps.

A three-member committee was constituted on the directions of the High Court that consisted of KM Chinnappa, retired forest officer and Trustee, Wildlife First, Dr Kalaivanan, veterinary assistant surgeon at Thevaram Veterinary Dispensary in Tamil Nadu, and Dr NVK Ashraf, senior director and chief veterinarian at the Wildlife Trust of India.

The committee members visited six elephant camps -- Mathigodu, Cauvery, Dubare, Balle, Rampura and Sakrebyle. They assessed the camps based on seven criteria -- their location, access to water body, infrastructure, welfare, health and management, husbandry and condition of animals. During the assessment, other factors, including visitor influx and proximity were also noted.

None of the elephant camps scored good marks in the committee's assessment. The average score of the camps was three on a scale of five. Dubare scored 3.5, but on infrastructure and health and management, it scored 2.5.

The report noted, "It is unfortunate that ground realities have forced the government to capture so many elephants and resign them to captivity. This has undoubtedly put undue pressure on the existing camps to accommodate them into their fold."

Forest, Environment and Ecology Minister Eshwar B Khandre said he was not aware of the report and no one informed him. "It has not even been brought to the notice of the government. The committee's recommendations were not implemented. This will be investigated," he added.

Asked who was responsible for the tourist's death in Dubare, Khandre said, "It was an accident. The matter is being investigated and a team has been sent to check the details."

Upa Lokayukta files case against 2 forest officials

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

UPA Lokayukta Justice KN Phaneendra has registered a suo motu case against assistant conservator of forests Gopal A, Somwarpet Sub-Division, and range forest officer Rakshit, Kushalnagar Territorial Range, Kodagu, in connection with the death of a tourist and an elephant at Dubare.

Juneshe S, 33, the tourist from Tamil Nadu, was crushed to death on May 18 after she was caught in a fight between two elephants at the elephant camp in Dubare. Marthanda, the elephant, succumbed to injuries sustained during the fight with Kanjan.

Justice Phaneendra said the incident was a result of 'failure' or 'inaction' on the part of forest officials. The incident indicates that there are many problems at the camp, which should be addressed immediately. He took media reports as source material for the suo motu case.

Stating that it is a violation of Article 21 concerning the right to life, Justice Phaneendra cited a verdict of the apex court in the Vincent Panikurlangara versus Union of India case, concerning the obligation on the part of officials in protecting people's lives.

Justice Phaneendra ordered the forest officials to submit their explanation in person by June 24.

NEW CHAPTER

Supporters of Kadu Golla Devolopment Bord's former state president Rajanna celebrate after he joined the BJP at Jaganth Bhavan in Malleswaram, Bengaluru, on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Secure forest boundaries: Khandre to officials

Bengaluru: Forest, environment and ecology minister Eshwar B Khandre on Thursday directed forest officials to take back forest lands and secure forest boundaries. At a high-level meeting here, he said compensation should be paid to the affected people. He told the officials to get the forest lands fenced, particularly in areas near cities and towns, to prevent their encroachment. Forest lands must be recovered using CAMPA funds, he said. Khandre is said to have quoted Madenur forest adjacent to Hassan, where no afforestation work has been taken up though the land is in the department's possession. Khandre also directed the officials to set up a leopard task force in Tumakuru in view of the increasing number of attacks by the cats. With frequent sightings of leopards in many villages of Tumakuru district, there is a need for the task force to capture and relocate them, he said. ENS

Govt tightens rules to curb land grab

SUNIL PATIL @ Belagavi

IN a major move aimed at preventing land grabbing and fraudulent Rights, Tenancy and Crops (RTC) mutations, the Karnataka Revenue Commissionerate (KRC) has issued fresh directions regarding lands of which deceased owners (khatedar) are shown as having "No Legal Heirs" in the state's e-Pouthi software system.

The circular, issued by the KRC's Bhoomi Monitoring Cell in Bengaluru on May 20, 2026, has directed all deputy commissioners across the state to initiate strict action in cases where illegal RTC mutations are suspected. According to the order, during the Aadhaar linkage and e-Pouthi verification process, if village administrative officers record that a deceased landholder has no legal heir, the land concerned will automatically be flagged as "Government Reservation" in the system. Further, transactions related to such lands will be blocked in the Kaveri software to prevent illegal sale, transfer or registration.

The order also states that such cases will be transferred to Tahsildar Grade-1 courts through the Revenue Court Case Management System (RCCMS) and treated as disputed matters. Tahsildars have been instructed to issue public notices and conduct detailed inquiries. If no genuine heirs are identified even after inquiry, the land will be taken over by the government under the Karnataka Land Revenue Act, 1964.

Officials clarified that if legal heirs emerge later, they can approach the authorities, and the "Government Reservation" status can be revoked through orders issued by the assistant commissioners (revenue) of respective subdivisions. The move is being viewed as a significant step to curb increasing land grabbings reported in several districts, where land mafias allegedly collude with government officials to illegally enter their names in the RTC records by exploiting the absence of real owners or heirs.

Pvt unaided schools need not have SMCs: Centre

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Union ministry of education has clarified that private schools, which do not receive government aid or grants, are exempted from having School Management Committees (SMC) mandated by the School Management Committee Guidelines – 2026.

Archana Sharma Awasthi, the additional secretary of the department of school education and literacy under the ministry of education, said on Thursday that the ministry had received concerns regarding the applicability of the guidelines to private unaided schools after a communication dated May 11 mentioned that SMCs should be formed in schools of all management types.

Awasthi said the mandate would not be binding to schools covered under Section 2(n)(iv) of the Right to Education (RTE) Act unless they receive financial assistance from the government or local authorities. However, the schools may voluntarily form SMCs to improve governance and transparency, she said.

The clarification came after objections were raised by the Associated Managements of Primary and Secondary Schools in Karnataka (KAMS), which submitted a representation to Sanjay Kumar, the secretary of the department of school education and literacy on May 15, seeking a corrigendum to the earlier letter.

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE ADDITIONAL CHIEF ENGINEER
KBK-II MINOR IRRIGATION CIRCLE, JEYPORE
(E_mail ID:sekbkmi2@gmail.com)
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
e-Procurement Notice
e-Procurement Notice No. ACEKBK-IIMIC-02/2026-27
Letter No. 650 Dt.19.05.2026

32001/259/2627: The Additional Chief Engineer, KBK-II ,Minor Irrigation Circle, Jeypore on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites **Percentage rate** bids in **Double cover** system through **Online Mode**. The bid documents consisting of work, Estimated Cost, Cost of Tender Paper, Time of Completion, Class of Contractor, set of terms and conditions of the contract and other necessary documents can be seen in e-procurement portal **https://tendersodisha.gov.in.**

1.	Name of work	:	Construction of "Berla Check Dam" over Local Nalla in Narayanpatna Block of Koraput District under MATY 3.0 for the year 2026-27
2.	Total No. of works	:	**01 (One) Nos.**
3.	Tender cost	:	Approximately varies from **Rs.101.54 Lakh**
4.	Class of Contractor	:	As mentioned against work
5.	Period of completion	:	As mentioned against work
6.	Date and time of availability of Bid Document in portal	:	**From 10.00 AM on 25.05.2026 and upto 5.00 PM on 08.06.2026**
7.	Last date / time for receipt of Bid Document in portal	:	Upto 5.00 PM on 08.06.2026
8.	Date / Time of opening of Technical Bid	:	At 11:00 AM on 09.06.2026 in website (www.tendersodisha.gov.in)
9.	Name and Address Officer	:	Additional Chief Engineer, O/o ACE, K.B.K-II, M.I. Circle, Jayanagar, Jeypore-764005
10.	Mode of Payment of Bid cost and Bid security.	:	Online
11.	Further details can be seen from the Government of Odisha Website: www.tendersodisha.gov.in		

Sd/- Additional Chief Engineer,
OIPR- 32001/32512/1/26-27/0002 K.B.K-II, M.I.Circle, Jeypore.

WESTERN RAILWAY
Material Management Department
VARIOUS MATERIALS SUPPLY
E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No. S/24/2026 Date 18.05.2026

S.N.	Tender No	Short Description of items	Quantity	T.O.D.
160	22265009	Supply of items as per the Scope of supply, enclosed with tender and Retro-fitment of ADD/ORD feature in M/s. FTRTIPL make High Reach Pantograph	69 Nos	06-Jul-26
161	22262004	Set of axle box assembly complete	15 Set	30-Jun-26
162	26267050	Running Contract for One Year for supply of fittings for Retro fitment of 1 in 12 turnout with 10125 mm 60E1A1 Thick Web Switch (Curved) BG (1673 mm) for 60 Kg. 60E1 on PSC sleepers laid in field with Alt. 8 or earlier version of RDSO Drg. T-6155.	840 Set	29-Jun-26
163	23260923	Side Frame Friction Liner	29791 Nos	29-Jun-26
164	29255018A	Retinal Green Laser with Slit Lamp and Laser Indirect Ophthalmoscope	2 Nos	25-Jun-26
165	22263633	Spheri Bloc for Axle Guide & Torque Arm for WAG-9.	2354 Nos	24-Jun-26
166	22262602	Main compressor assembly	53 Nos	18-Jun-26
167	22261330	Set of 1500 AMP capacity CTF-1, CTF-2 & CTF-3	19 Set	18-Jun-26
168	15261722	Single piece FRP louver shutter as per RDSO Drg. No. - SK- 97020, ALT.- 8 material confirming to RDSO Specn. No.- RDSO /2007/CG-02 (REV. -1) of FEB. 2008 Read to all Amnd. With latest Amnd.- 3 of FEB.-2019 (Colour- Apricot yellow to shade ral 070 8040	5478 Nos	17-Jun-26
169	22265012	Steel Pipe	16310 Mtr	17-Jun-26
170	22265006	Rubber sheet	14400 Mtr	16-Jun-26
171	09265005	DC earthing switch 4 pole	12 Nos	16-Jun-26
172	26267029	One year Running Contract for supply of PSC sleeper (i) Isolated sleeper 1 in 12 Turnout (in RM) as per RDSO's drawing No. T-4218 (ii) Derailing switch sleeper RDSO's drawing No. T-6068 (iii) Thick Web Switch Expansion Joint sleeper as per RDSO's drawing No.T-8838 (iv) PSC sleeper for Running Rails and Guard Rails on bridge approach as per RDSO's drawing No. T-4089 to T-4097	72000 Mtr 137 Set 9000 Nos	16-Jun-26
173	29255019	Orthopedic Electro Hydraulic OT Table	2 Nos	15-Jun-26
174	28261308	Inj. Meropenem 1gm	24875 Nos	15-Jun-26
175	07255073A	SMPS Based Integrated Power System	8 Set	15-Jun-26
176	15262017A	Ball joint traction lever	21028 Nos	12-Jun-26

CORRIGENDUM
Please read the quantity as "42 Set" for the **Tender Notice No.: S-21-2026 dated: 28.04.2026 at Sr. No. 134**
Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website **www.ireps.gov.in and wr.indianrailways.gov.in.** 0136
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KONKAN RAILWAY CORPORATION LIMITED
(A Government of India Undertaking)
NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER
Chief Engineer/Projects, Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd., invites Open Tender on Engineering, Procurement & Construction (EPC) basis in two packet system through E-tendering on IREPS Portal from eligible contractors for the following work: **Name of work:** "Design & Construction of Broad-Gauge Single Line Railway Siding between Balaramapuram Railway Station on Southern Railway to Vizhinjam International Seaport including Civil Engineering Works comprising of a 9 km long tunnel, 0.43 km long Adit, their associated E&M Works, Earthwork in Cutting/Embankment and Bridges in Approaches, Permanent Way Works including BLT in tunnel, Over Head Electrical Traction Works, associated Power Supply Installation Works, General Electrical Works, Signalling & Telecommunication, Integrated Tunnel Communication, PA system and Video surveillance System Works etc., complete, in the State of Kerala, Project Chainage : km (-)1.200 to km (-) 10.708 i.e., Length: 9508 m on Engineering, Procurement & Construction (EPC) basis ". **Tender Notice No: CO-PD-I-NP-VISL-Tender-01dated 12.05.2026. Estimated cost:** ₹ 9,13,77,00,000/- (including GST). **Last date for submission of Tender:** 10.08.2026 up to 15.00 hrs. **Completion period :** 36 (Thirty-Six) months. Offline offers shall not be accepted. Please visit https://ireps.gov.in for details/participation. Corrigendum/ addendum will be hosted in this website only.

STATE BANK OF INDIA
HOME LOAN CENTRE, WHITEFIELD (17753)
No.117, Ground Floor, Neil Rao Towers, Road No. 3, EPIP Phase 1, Whitefield Road, Bengaluru - 560 066.
Tel: 080-28411010/1020, E-Mail: sbi.17753@sbi.co.in
POSSESSION NOTICE Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)
A/c No. HL 64072996816
Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **State Bank of India, Home Loan Centre, Whitefield, Bengaluru** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **02.03.2026** calling upon the **borrower : Sri. Suresh Pawar** S/o. Sri. Bhuraram Pawar to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 13,44,995/-** (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Forty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Five Only) as on 01.03.2026. You are also liable to pay further interest from 02.03.2026 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The borrower/mortgager having failed to repay the amount as mentioned in the Demand Notice, notice is hereby given to the borrower/mortgager and the public in general that the undersigned, being the Authorised Officer of the **State Bank of India, Home Loan Centre, Whitefield, Bengaluru** has taken possession of the property of **Sri. Suresh S/o. Sri. Bhuraram Pawar,** in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules 2002, on **21.05.2026.**
The borrower/mortgager in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **State Bank of India** for an amount of **Rs. 12,79,592/-** (Rupees Twelve Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Two Only) as on 17.05.2026 and further interest at contractual rate from 18.05.2026 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.
The borrower/mortgager's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.
Please note that Possession Notice dated 04.05.2024 and its paper publication in "The New Indian Express" and "Samyuktha Karnataka" dated 07.05.2024 under section 13(4) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 stands withdrawn.
Description of Immovable Property : Schedule A Property : All that part and parcel of the portion of the property bearing Sy No.17/3, Khatha No.384, measuring 01 Acre of land out 5 Acres 08 Guntas of land, situated at Basavanapura Village, K.R. Pura Hobli, Old Bangalore South Taluk, now Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore. The said property is converted as per vide Order No.ALN.SR(E).323/2004-05 dated 06.04.2005. The property was formely within the jurisdiction of K.R. Pura C.M.C, Bangalore at Ward No. 14, now this property is within the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and **bounded on : East by :** Road, **West by :** Remaining portion of the land in Sy No. 17/3, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Road.
Schedule B Property : A undivided share, title and interest of 606 Sq. feet in the Schedule A Property in proportion to the Schedule C Apartment.
Schedule C Property : Two Bedrooms Flat No.104, in Ground Floor, Block I of the apartment known as "I.J. ACACIA", with a total super built up area of 1,358 Sq. feet, along with one covered car parking space in the basement, the apartment constructed is of RCC structure, Ceramic flooring, Hone Wood Doors and Aluminum Windows, Ceiling and Walls between Apartment jointly belonging to such apartment owners equally including proportionate share in common area in the basement, standing in the name of Sri.Suresh.S S/o Sri.Bhuraram Pawar and **bounded on : East by :** Flat No. 106, **West by :** Flat No. 102, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Flat No. 103.
Schedule C-1 Property : One Car parking space in the basement floor, the approach to which will be sustained as common areas attached to the ownership of Schedule C flat. The builders/owner will have the right to relocate the parking space to suit the general scheme of design and comfort of all the parties.
Date : 21.05.2026 Sd/- Authorised Officer & Chief Manager
Place : Bengaluru State Bank of India, Home Loan Center, Whitefield, Bengaluru.

PUBLIC NOTICE
This is to inform General Public that my client **Sri. MANIKANDAN,** S/o P Radhakrishnan, residing at Flat No. 202, B Block, "Nava Gokulam Apartment", Divya Unnathi Layout, Horamavu Agara, Hennur Gardens, Babusapalya, Bangalore -560 043 **(Purchaser)** has entered into Agreement of Sale with **Smt. GOMATHY M,** W/o late Rajagopal Gowda and others residing at No. 28, Madderi Post, Vemgal Hobli, Kolar-563 101 **(Vendor)** in respect of the Schedule Property mentioned below.
Any person/s having any right, title, interest, lieu, charge or claim whatsoever in upon or to the schedule property or to any portion thereof, by way of any easement or under agreements, arrangements, lease, trust, inheritance, gift, partition, bequeath, possession, mortgage, exchange or under any deed/instrument easement or however otherwise, may submit his/her/its their objection/claims, in writing to me at the under mentioned address, through registered post, along with the supporting documentary evidence, **within fifteen days** of the issuance of this notice, failing which my client will proceed on the basis that there are no claims over the schedule property.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing **Site No. 24,** formed in Sy No. 96/1, BBMP Khatha No. 2094/Khata-232/Site No. 24, **New e-PID No. 9800905359,** situated at **HORAMAVU AGARA Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk,** now comes within the administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike, Ward No. 25, Horamavu Ward, Bangalore, measuring **East to West 40 ft, North to South 30 ft,** in **total measuring 1200 Sq ft,** and bounded on:
East by: Road, **West by:** Private Property, **North by:** Site No. 25, **South by:** Site No. 23.
VENKATESHA. M.T, Advocate,
at No. 636, 1st Main, Patel Munivenkatappa Layout, Near De Grand Hotel, Nagawara, Arabic College Post, Bangalore-560 045.
Ph. No. 9986044393 / 7022075279, E-Mail: venkateshamt05@gmail.com
Bangalore Dated: 22.05.2026

यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया Union Bank of India
Haines Road Branch
No. 1, Elegant Dizer, Pulikeshi Nagar, Coles Road, Frazer Town, Bengaluru-560005. Email: ubin0545775@unionbankofindia.bank.in
DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT 54 OF 2002 FOR ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST
DEMAND NOTICE
Name and Address of the Applicant/Co-Applicant : (A) Mrs. Tarannum, (B) Mr. Syed Ibrahim, Both are residing at : No.32, 2nd Floor, Veeranna Garden, "Moore Road, Frazer Town, Bangalore-560005.
Dear Sir/Madam,
Notice dt.13.05.2026 Issued to you u/s 13(2) of The Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 by **Haines Road Branch**/me, the Authorised Officer, was sent to you calling upon to repay the dues in your loan account/s with us at your last known address could not be served. Therefore, the contents of the said demand notice are being published in this newspaper.
The credit facilities/loan facilities availed by you have been classified as **NPA on 25.03.2013** You have executed loan documents while availing the facilities and created security interest in favour of the Bank. The details the credit Facilities and secured assets are as under:
Credit facilities availed with outstanding **Loan A/c No. CHOME Loan 560631000254348** amount as on **30.04.2026, Total outstanding amount Rs 32,62,955.68 (Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Five and Sixty Eight Paise Only).**
Description of the immovable Property
Schedule 'A' Property : All that piece and parcel of the Site bearing old No. 66, new No. 32, situated at Veeranna. Garden, Civil Station, Bangalore, Measuring East to West 18 feet 4 1/2 inches, North to South 30 feet, with PID No. 91-66-32, and bounded as under: East by: Common Passage of 4 feet wide leading to street, West by: Private property bearing No. 32/1, Veerana Garden, North by: Private property, South by: Private property.
Schedule 'B' Property : 138.75 Sq. feet of undivided share right title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in schedule A Property.
Schedule 'C' Property : The Entire Second Floor Portion of the Property Having a Super Built Up Area Of 500 Square Feet in The Residential Apartment Known As "HAC NEST" Constructed on the Schedule "A' Property, With Right to Pass Through All the Common Passages Leading to The Street and Free for Ingress and egress at all times and entitled for all the Common areas and amenities, and Mosaic Flooring.
Therefore, you, No.1,& No.2 as Applicante/Co-applicante in terms of the aforesaid notice have been called upon to pay the aforesaid sum of **Rs. 32,62,955.68(Rupees Thirty Two Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Five and Sixty Eight Paise Only)** together with future interest and charges thereon within 60 days from the date of this publication. That on your failure to comply therewith we, the secured creditor, shall be entitled to exercise all or any of the rights under Section 13(4) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002. In terms of Section 13(13) of the Act you shall not transfer the secured assets aforesaid from the date of receipt of the notice without Bank's prior consent. Please take note of the provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.
Date : 13.05.2026 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Bangalore Union Bank of India

IN THE COURT OF III ADDL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE, AT BANGALORE
P & SC No. 632/2025 (CCH-25)
Between: 1. Ms. V.M. MEENAKSHI, D/o Mr. V.R. Muralidharan, aged about 36 years, **2. Mr. V.R. MURALIDHARAN,** S/o. Vellore Ratnasabhapathy, aged about 75 years, **3. Mr. V.M VENKATRAM,** S/o Mr. V.R. Muralidharan, aged about 46 years, **4. Mr. V.M. SIDDHARTHA,** S/o Mr. V.R. Muralidharan, aged about 39 years, All are R/at: 18/8, Cambridge Road Cross, 2nd Cross, Old SBI Building, Ulsoor, Bengaluru-560 008 ...**Petitioners**
And: -NIL- ...Respondent
PUBLIC NOTICE
Whereas the above named filed this petition under Section 372 of Indian Succession Act for the grant of Succession Certificate in favour of the Petitioner No.1, in respect of schedule mentioned below. The below mentioned schedule has held by mother of Petitioner No.1 herein who expired on 06.12.2024 (Mother) Smt. M. Malini
Interested parties are hereby called upon to appear before this court in person or by pleader duly instructed on **30/06/2026** at **11:00 AM.** inform to show cause against the petitioners failing wherein the appearance will be heard and declared as Ex-parte.
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By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court, Bengaluru
GAK Associates
G. Anil Kumar, Advocate
41/1, 6th Main Road, 9th Cross, HAL 3rd Stage, New Tippasandra, Bengaluru- 560075. Mob: 9845639003.

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Our client one **SMT. V. BHAGYAMMA,** W/O. LATE. N. BRAMMAIAH, D/O. LATE. VENKATAKRISHNACHARY, AGED ABOUT 74 YEARS, R/AT. NO. 124, 4TH CROSS, SOMESHWARANAGARA, JAYANAGARA, 1ST BLOCK, BANGALORE-560011. AADHAAR NO.376372280172. PAN NO.ARNPB3902C. is absolute owner of the schedule property.
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Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provise to Rule 8 (6) & 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
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Last Date & Time of Submission of EMD	01-07-2026 Time : 12.00 Noon
Date & Time of Auction Sale	01-07-2026 Time : 01.00 p.m.
Place of Auction & Contact Details	City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Indira Nagar Branch, No.194,Ground Floor, 7th Cross, I Stage, Indira Nagar, Bengaluru, Bengaluru Urban, Karnataka - 560038. Cell Nos : 9341003179, 9379848801, 9703676865, 8925964904.
Reserve Price	Rs. 1,05,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Five Lakh only)
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Schedule - A : All that piece and parcel of converted Vacant Land bearing Survey No.81/1 A, BBMP Katha No.452/448/350/262/1, Measuring 1 Acre of Land situated at Bilekahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru, Vide Order No.BDS : ALN : SR(S) : 638/2004-05, Dated 05-03-2005 and Bounded as follows : East by : Land in Survey Nos.81/1B and 81/1C, West by : Land in Survey No.80, North by : Land in Survey No.65 of Bilekahalli, South by : Land in Survey No.83 of Bilekahalli. **Schedule - B :** All that piece and parcel of Residential Units Constructed on the Schedule - A Property known as Pariwar Presidency consisting of basement, Ground, First, Second and Third Floors and 688 sq.ft. of Undivided Share, right, title, interest and Ownership in the Schedule - A Property. **Schedule - C :** All the piece and parcel of Residential Apartment bearing No.318 in Third Floor, Block-D, constructed on the Schedule-A Property having a super built-up Area of 1,410 sq.ft. with Vitrified Flooring and inclusive of Proportionate Share in Common Area such as Passages, Lobbies, Stair Cases, Lifts and other Area of Common Use and One Car Parking facility in the building known and recognized as Pariwar Presidency. **Encumbrances-Nil.**
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In another major infrastructure initiative aimed at enhancing Tirupati's global tourism profile, the Airports Authority of India has approved the seaplane project at the historic Rayalacheruvu irrigation tank in Ramachandrapuram mandal

TN COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

VIJAY'S CABINET SETS RECORD WITH SEVEN DALIT MINISTERS

23 legislators, including 2 from Congress, inducted in first cabinet expansion in new govt

Jegadeshwari K sworn-in as minister in the presence of CM CJ Vijay, Governor Rajendra Arlekar and Chief Secretary Sai Kumkar in Chennai

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

IN his first cabinet expansion on Thursday, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay inducted 23 legislators, including two from the Congress, into his council of ministers, marking the formation of one of the youngest ministries in the state's history. The TVK cabinet currently has 33 ministers, including the CM, and Tamil Nadu can have up to 35 ministers. IUML's Papanasam MLA AM Shahjahan and Vanni Arasu of the VCK will be sworn in ministers on Friday. Adi Dravidar & Tribal Welfare, and Minorities Welfare are the two major portfolios that remain to be allocated, and they are likely to be given to VCK and IUML, respectively.

TVK, which swept to power on the promise of 'social justice', among others, took a historic first step in making that a reality by appointing a record seven Dalit ministers to the cabinet. This marks the highest representation the community has ever received in Tamil Nadu's political history. The number is expected to rise to eight once the Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi (VCK) joins the ministry. The new cabinet also includes four woman ministers and two ministers from the Brahmin community, marking a welcome departure from the jaded political formulas that typically dictate ministry formation in the state.

The new cabinet also reflects the social composition of the legislators of the ruling alliance, with TVK having 25 Dalit MLAs. While the TVK emerged victorious in 24 of the 44 reserved constituencies in the Assembly polls, five of the 13 MLAs from other parties supporting the government are also Dalits. Hence, 29 of the 120 MLAs backing the government (over 24%) are from the Dalit community.

Another notable shift from the usual composition of Tamil Nadu cabinets is the presence of two Brahmin ministers.

Former speaker quits AIADMK, son in cabinet

Former Assembly Speaker P Dhanapal on Thursday announced that he was no longer with the AIADMK. Speaking to reporters after attending the swearing-in ceremony of his son D Logesh Tamilselvan as a minister in the TVK-led cabinet, Dhanapal said he was sidelined by the AIADMK leadership after the demise of former chief minister J Jayalalithaa. Expressing happiness over his son becoming a minister, Dhanapal said he had held several positions in public life and felt proud to see his son rise to that level. "The future rests with the youth," he added.

HC seeks ECI response to plea against TVK

The Madras High Court has ordered notice to the Election Commission of India and a few political parties directing them to file their responses to a petition seeking a probe into the exploitation of children for indirect electoral gains by Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK). A vacation bench of Justices GR Swaminathan and V Lakshminarayanan on Thursday granted a week's time for the respondents, including TVK, DMK and AIADMK, to file the reply. The petition was filed by L Vasuki, an advocate from Bhuavanagiri in Cuddalore district. She stated that TVK president C Joseph Vijay addressed a public meeting at YMCA grounds in Chennai on April 24 and called upon the "children to emotionally influence or pressure their parents" regarding voting preference in the elections.

DMK: Cong betrayed us, vanished from Pondy politics

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Puducherry

DMK leader and Puducherry state organiser R Siva on Tuesday launched a sharp attack on the Indian National Congress, alleging that the party "betrayed" the DMK during the recent Assembly elections and had subsequently "disappeared politically" in Puducherry.

Addressing the Puducherry DMK executive committee meeting held at a private hall on Kamaraj Salai, Siva sought to boost the party workers' morale following the election results.

Referring to the alliance negotiations in Puducherry, Siva accused the Congress of deliberately trying to weaken the DMK by denying it an adequate number of seats. He said the DMK had initially sought 15 seats, and later agreed to contest 13 while Congress retained 17. However, he alleged, Congress attempted to reduce the DMK's share to eight seats while fielding candidates in the remaining constituencies.

Siva said the DMK leadership chose to remain in the alliance despite disagreements to protect the larger political interests in Tamil Nadu. Despite the challenges, he said the DMK secured victory in five constituencies in Puducherry.

UDF to retain KL investment board, plans to curb its borrowing powers

KS SREEJITH
@ Thirvananthapuram

UDF MLAs KK Rema, Vidya Balakrishnan, Bindu Krishna, Usha Vijayan, Shanimol Osmam and KA Thulasi are all smiles after the swearing-in ceremony in the Kerala Legislative Assembly in Thiruvananthapuram on Thursday | BP DEEPU

DESPITE years of criticising the Kerala Infrastructure Investment Fund Board (KIIFB), the newly elected UDF government is learnt to have decided against winding up the institution and instead plans to overhaul its funding model by curbing its independent borrowing powers. According to sources in the government, the move is intended to address long-standing concerns over off-budget financing and mounting public debt while retaining KIIFB as a vehicle for infrastructure development.

Under the proposed restructuring, KIIFB would no longer raise funds directly from financial markets. Instead, the state government is likely to borrow through development loans and transfer the funds to KIIFB in the form of grants or through a similar mechanism for executing infrastructure projects.

"When KIIFB borrows from the market, interest rates can go up to eight or nine per cent. If the state government raises development loans through the Reserve Bank route, borrowing costs could average around seven per cent," a senior government official said.

Officials pointed out that the centre's decision to classify KIIFB borrowings as state government debt had sharply reduced Kerala's borrowing headroom. The proposed shift, they said, is aimed at lowering financing costs and reducing pressure on the state's fiscal limits.Government sources indicated that dissolving KIIFB was ruled out largely because of the scale of projects already underway across the state.

"The development works undertaken through KIIFB at local and constituency levels have become unavoidable. Several projects remain incomplete and are being implemented even in constituencies represented by UDF MLAs. Restructuring is now the only practical option," a source said. The government is also considering ending the transfer of motor vehicle tax revenue and fuel cess collections to KIIFB. Leaders believe such a move could eventually allow a reduction in the petrol cess and provide marginal relief to consumers.

However, as KIIFB currently lacks an independent revenue stream, the government will have to devise a mechanism to service its existing liabilities.

Meanwhile, there are also indications that the UDF may revisit the proposal to introduce tolls on roads and bridges built under KIIFB – an idea previously considered by the LDF government but shelved amid public opposition.

EXPRESS READ

High Court circuit bench outside Mangaluru unacceptable: MLA Kamath

MANGALURU: Mangaluru city South MLA Vedavyas Kamath has asserted that any proposal to establish a Karnataka High Court circuit bench outside Mangaluru would be unacceptable. Kamath said the establishment of a circuit bench in Mangaluru has been a longstanding demand of the Mangaluru Bar Association and has been repeatedly raised both inside and outside the Legislature. **ENS**

Woman with mental illness raped in Chennai, one arrested

CHENNAI: A 30-year-old man has been arrested on charges of raping a 19-year-old woman with mental illness near the Marina swimming pool on May 13. The police said the accused had befriended the woman through Instagram and later lured her to the beach, where the alleged assault took place. The accused was identified as Imran, an employee at a fish stall from Chintadripet in Chennai. **ENS**

Second PU Exam-2 results declared, pass percentage 92

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA announced the results of Examination-2 and recorded a cumulative II PUC pass percentage of 92.25, marking an increase of 7.06 percentage points compared to last year's cumulative result of 85.19 per cent. Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board (KSEAB) said, a total of 80,535 students appeared for the exam-2 and 36,764 students passed, recording a pass percentage of 45.65.

The board stated that students who appeared for Examination-2 were mainly supplementary and improvement candidates. Under the new system, students were allowed to retain the higher marks scored in either Examination-1 or Examination-2, resulting in an increase in the overall cumulative result. Following the consolidation of marks from both examinations, 5,85,077 students passed out of 6,34,233 candidates.

17,397 girls passed with 46.74 percent outperforming boys while 19,367 boys passed 44.72 percent. In cumulative, out of 3,54,479 girls who appeared, 3,31,856 passed, recording a pass percentage of 93.62 per cent. Among boys, 2,53,221 students passed out of 2,79,754 candidates, recording 90.52 per cent. Among social categories, Scheduled Caste students recorded 43.19 per cent pass percentage while Scheduled Tribe students recorded 44.47 per cent and General category students recorded 46.42 per cent. Under Medium wise category, English Medium showed a pass percent of 47.26 and Kannada Medium showed a pass percent of 44.02.

Mathematics recorded the highest number of centums for Exam 2, 315 students scoring full marks, followed by Chemistry with 75 centums, Physics with 61 centums followed by Kannada with 60 centums.

The board said students can apply online for scanned copies of answer scripts from May 21 to May 23.

TOUCH OF DIVINITY

An artisan gives final touches to the idol of Lord Balabhadra at his shop in Bhubaneswar on Thursday | SHAMIM QURESHY

Hangyo Ice Creams inaugurates manufacturing unit at Tirupati

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hubballi

HANGYO Ice Creams Pvt Limited inaugurated its manufacturing facility at Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh on Thursday (May 21). A unit with production capacity of 1,00,000 litres per day marks a transformational phase in Hangyo's growth story and reinforces the company's commitment. The inauguration ceremony was held in the presence of Shrimad Vidyadeeshteertha seer of Shree Samsthan Gokarn Parthagali Jeevottam Mutt.

The event was attended by T G Bharath, Minister for Industries and Commerce and Food Processing, and MLAs Bojjala Venkata Sudhir Reddy, Arani Srinivasulu, Pulavarthi Venkata Mani Prasad, Gali Bhanu Prakash and Kalikiri Murali Mohan.

The occasion also witnessed the presence of the Board of Directors of Hangyo Ice Creams Pvt Limited Dinesh R Pai – Founder and Executive Chairman, K Ullas Kamath, Vice Chairman, Pradeep G Pai, Founder and Managing Director, Jagadish R Pai, Founder and Executive Director.

The inaugural ceremony of the manufacturing facility of Hangyo Ice Creams Pvt Limited at Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh on Thursday | EXPRESS

Shrimad Vidyadeeshteertha seer praised the company's values-driven journey.

"It gives immense happiness to see an organisation grow with dedication, discipline, humility, and a commitment towards society. Enterprises that create opportunities, empower people, and operate with values contribute meaningfully to the progress of the nation", he said. Minister T G Bharath highlighted the importance of industrial growth in strengthening regional development. Dinesh R Pai, Founder and Executive Chairman, Hangyo Ice Creams Pvt Limited, expressed gratitude to consumers, channel partners, employees, distributors, suppliers, and stakeholders who have contributed to the company's remarkable growth journey.

IMD forecasts weak monsoon for Kerala

SHAINU MOHAN @ T'Puram

KERALA is staring at a weak monsoon season this year, with the India Meteorological Department (IMD) projecting rainfall at below 92% of the state's Long Period Average (LPA) of 1,863.4mm during the June-September southwest monsoon season. According to IMD, even June, the onset month, is expected to receive below normal rainfall, signalling a weak start to the rainy season.

Meanwhile, climate experts said the state needs to be prepared for both drought and extreme rain situations. The projection -- based on the LPA 1971-2020 -- was presented at 'Tracking the Monsoon: Kerala outlook 2026', a multi-sectoral climate preparedness dialogue organised in Thiruvananthapuram by the KSCSTE-Institute for Climate Change Studies (ICCS) in association with the IMD, Kerala State Disaster Management Authority, Directorate of Environment and Climate Change, and the Indian Meteorological Society. The LPA is the average rainfall or climate variable recorded over a specific region for a given interval, calculated over a long timespan.

O P Sreejith, scientist and head of climate monitoring and prediction at IMD, who presented the historical rainfall analysis during the session, said Kerala has consistently experienced deficient monsoon rain during El Nino years.

The Indian Ocean Dipole, another major climate driver that can sometimes offset El Nino impacts, is expected to remain neutral this season, offering little compensatory effect. The IMD has also forecast above-normal maximum and minimum temperatures across most parts of Kerala during May and June, raising concerns over heat stress, water availability, agriculture, and electricity demand. ICCS director K Rajendran said a detailed monsoon outlook statement based on the deliberations will be submitted to the government. "This year, we have a clear forecast on what to expect. El Nino has already been confirmed and the departments are going to prepare better," said Rajendran.

Norwester follows heat wave in Odisha, kills 3 in Keonjhar

BHUBANESWAR: A staggering heat wave scorched Odisha only to be followed by a deadly spell of norwester in four districts which claimed three lives on Thursday. Keonjhar bore the brunt as Naranpur, barely 6 km from the district headquarters town, was struck by tragedy after a tent collapsed, killing three persons. All the victims were workers. Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi announced an ex gratia of ₹4 lakh for family of each of the four deceased and expressed condolences. The norwester hit the area at around 3 pm, bringing down the huge tent. The workers were crushed under the iron frame of the tent after it collapsed under the might of the local storm. Earlier, Odisha saw one of the hottest days of the summer as 24 out of 38 stations of the state recorded above 40 degrees Celsius. Jharsuguda remained the hottest place with maximum at 45.5 degrees Celsius. Both Sambalpur and Balangir recorded 44.6 degree Celsius.

'Mass burial' case: SIT recreates crime scene in Dharmasthala

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mangaluru

THE officials of the Special Investigation Team (SIT), along with personnel from the State Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) and Scene of Crime Officers (SOCO), conducted a crime scene recreation exercise at Banglagudde in Dharmasthala on Thursday, as part of the ongoing probe into the alleged mass burial case.

The exercise was carried out at the location where former sanitation worker CN Chinnayya had earlier claimed to have found human remains. Chinnayya had alleged that multiple bodies were buried in the area and later submitted a skull reportedly recovered from Banglagudde to the authorities concerned.

Informed sources said that the investigators recreated the sequence of events relating to the recovery of the skull. The exercise reportedly included the re-enactment of the excavation carried out by Vittal Gowda, uncle of Sowjanya, the college student whose 2012 murder case drew widespread attention. The recovery process had allegedly been videographed by Pradeep Kulal at the time.

The SIT team documented the recreation process and collected inputs relevant to the investigation.

Officials from the forensic and crime scene units assisted in examining the site and reconstructing the circumstances surrounding the alleged recovery of the remains.

Chinnayya had approached the police alleging that several unidentified bodies had been buried in and around Dharmasthala. Based on his complaint, Dharmasthala Police registered a case on July 4 last year, following which the state government constituted an SIT to investigate the allegations.

An official associated with the investigation confirmed that the crime scene recreation was undertaken as part of the evidence-gathering process and to verify details provided during the course of the inquiry.

EDITORIAL

"Nobody in the world, nobody in history, has ever gotten their freedom by appealing to the moral sense of the people who were oppressing them" — Assata Shakur

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— Ramnath Goenka

TREAT EXTREME HEAT AS AN EMERGENCY, URGENTLY INVEST IN LOCAL BODIES

A red-hot sickle has been scything through the heart of India for the past few days. It's an isothermal swathe of the country's hottest areas stretching across northern Rajasthan, Haryana, south-central Uttar Pradesh, eastern Madhya Pradesh and Vidarbha. Nowhere is its effect more acutely felt than in Banda, where temperatures have been breaching the debilitating level of 48°C. The reason this small town in Bundelkhand is overtaking Rajasthan as the country's hottest region is symptomatic of what's ailing the rest of India too—poorly planned construction and unchecked greed exacerbating the effects of climate change. In Banda, a steep fall in green cover and over-mining along the Ken riverbed have eroded the natural tools that could have countered the effects of a sudden proliferation of concrete structures in a new industrial cluster being promoted on a rocky plateau.

A similar fate awaits many other urban centres. A study published in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, a highly regarded scientific journal, shows that 18 medium-sized Indian cities, including Jalandhar, Mathura and Muzaffarnagar, are heating up much faster than their hinterlands. Heedless human action and a lack of effective mitigation are also turning our metros into sweltering hotspots, with heat trapped in concrete and asphalt keeping night-time temperatures dangerously high. On Thursday, the national capital recorded its warmest May night in 14 years.

The reasons are not unknown. A study last year estimated that air conditioners are now as culpable for warming Indian cities as cars, with both affecting temperatures directly by generating heat and indirectly by adding to greenhouse gases. Yet, there is little public discourse on alternative lifestyles and an appalling lack of administrative urgency in increasing green cover, building water bodies, providing public shelters, expanding mass transport and changing building norms.

We must treat extreme heat as a national emergency in a country that is clearly among the worst affected. Graded heat action plans must be mandatorily triggered, like Delhi's court-mandated response to pollution. Parametric insurance, piloted by SEWA in Gujarat and proposed in Tamil Nadu, must be made widely available to daily wagers. Finally, much more needs to be invested in the local bodies responsible for urban planning. Our deficiency is revealed by a stark comparison: whereas almost two-thirds of Chinese government employees work at local levels, only a little over a tenth in India do so. Should we be surprised by the results?

CLEAR NORMS NEEDED FOR SAFER ELEPHANT CAMPS

THE conditions that led to the death of a tourist from Chennai at the popular Dubare elephant camp in Karnataka's Kodagu beg serious attention. The incident occurred when 26-year-old tusker Kanjan attacked a 56-year-old tuskless bull elephant, Marthanda, at the camp abutting the Cauvery. It caused the latter to fall and fatally crush the woman tourist, who, along with her husband and three-year-old daughter, was standing close to the elephants to watch them being bathed. Video grabs show the woman's husband making futile attempts at pulling her from under the 4,500-kg Marthanda with one hand while carrying the daughter in the other. The severely injured Marthanda, too, died later that day.

The absence of safety protocols and emergency facilities at Dubare and the other elephant camps is shocking—especially as these camps attract thousands of tourists, including women, children and the elderly, to watch the pachyderms being bathed, to play with them, and to get photographed with them. In a knee-jerk reactive measure, the state government has barred the entry of tourists into elephant camps until further orders, and constituted a committee to list standard operating procedures as safety protocols. There are plans not to allow tourists within 100 feet of the elephants. It must be heeded that only proactive measures and strict official accountability can prevent such tragedies.

The elephants in the 10 camps under the state forest department are trained and 'domesticated'. Yet, this tragedy exposed huge inadequacies in dealing with tourists' safety. Most captive elephants are captured and are known to exhibit unpredictable behaviour. The same Kanjan had run amok during rehearsals of the Mysuru Dasara festival a few years ago. Why, then, were tourists allowed near him? It must also be noted that Karnataka—which has 114 captive elephants in 10 camps, besides 31 with temples and mutts—hosts the largest wild elephant population in India, with 6,013 elephants, according to the first nationwide DNA-based census conducted by the Wildlife Institute of India last year, followed by Assam (4,159), Tamil Nadu (3,136), Kerala (2,785) and Uttarakhand (1,792). And human-elephant conflict is increasingly common in all these states.

As elephant populations grow due to conservation efforts and human habitats extend into wildlife domains, stringent safety protocols and standard operating procedures should be devised and implemented. Failing this, there will be little to prevent another such incident from claiming innocent lives.

QUICK TAKE

ONE WORLD, ONE DEFENCE

THE post-pandemic world remains perennially on a knife's edge. On Wednesday, an Air France flight headed to the US was redirected to Canada after it was determined that a passenger aboard was from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, which is facing travel restrictions due to a fresh outbreak of the deadly Ebola virus. The same day, while noting that the risk of a pandemic was low, the UN warned that the strain, which has claimed at least 131 lives, is moving fast. Not long ago, the world was fixated on a cruise liner struck by hantavirus. The uncoordinated responses from different nations reveal that we have not learnt the biggest lesson from the Covid19 catastrophe. Global health emergencies need countries to come together—what affects one could soon affect another.

A public health emergency linked to obesity may trip India on its way to being a developed nation. Nutritional security through fortification of crops can offer an alternative path

CANNOT BE VIKSIT WITHOUT ADEQUATE NUTRITION FOR ALL

K SRINATH REDDY
Chancellor, PHFI University of Public Health Sciences; and Chair, Centre for Universal Health Assurance, Indian School of Public Policy

INDIA endeavours to nourish and nurture a productive population with many years of 'healthy life expectancy' to propel the country to the aspirational goal of being Viksit Bharat by 2047. That's why adequate nutrition must be a major engine of this journey.

On the other hand, poor nutrition sets the nation back along the development path. It predisposes us to a host of diseases across the life course, while stealing health and sapping productivity. Thus, sagacious public policy must be geared towards protecting health and wellbeing across the life-course of the population. It must be guided by sound scientific research that generates evidence-informed, context-relevant, resource-optimising, culturally-adaptive and equity-promoting recommendations.

Nutrition is a key to good health across life cycles. Nutrition of the girl child, adolescent girl and newlywed woman will shape her health prior to pregnancy and the health of the child to be conceived. Nutrition during pregnancy will critically influence the physical growth of the child, while epigenetically programming metabolic processes that will determine risk of diabetes, cardiovascular diseases and even some cancers later in adult life.

For these reasons, Indian public policies and scientific research in the first six decades of independent India focused almost exclusively on the problems of undernutrition and anaemia in women and children. Micronutrient dietary deficiencies of iodine, iron and zinc also started attracting policy response.

However, overweight and obesity did not, alongside the associated problems of non-communicable diseases (NCDs). Principal among these were cardiovascular disease, diabetes and cancer—all of which were clearly linked to faulty nutrition through unhealthy diets. While excess body fat contributes to a high risk of these diseases, accumulation of fat in the abdomen—visceral adiposity—is especially dangerous in stoking widespread inflammation and vascular damage.

Overweight and obesity was for long dismissed as a problem of excess calorie consumption. The term 'over-nutrition', coined by nutritionists to differentiate it from 'undernutrition', was misleading. It ignored the fact that diets which resulted in obesity were often deficient in fibre and anti-oxidant rich fruit and vegetables, healthy fats (from sources like nuts, seeds and fish), while healthy edible oils were an overpriced, unaffordable option for the poor. It unfairly placed the odium for obesity on an individual's gluttony, rather than the quality of his diet and nutrition. This simplistic understanding of nutritional science led to economists and planners focusing on 'energy security' instead of 'nutrition security'.

SOURAV ROY

The rapid rise of NCDs threatens to extract a high toll of early deaths, prolonged disability, prohibitive healthcare costs, strained health system capacity and lost productivity—all of which can become potholes on the road to Viksit Bharat. Since most NCDs are nutrition-related, caused by diets which disturb many inter-related regulatory systems in the human body, greater attention now needs to be paid to this public health emergency approaching in slow motion.

Diet is what we eat and drink. Nutrition is what we get from it in a mix of chemicals. Our diet also feeds the trillions of bacteria which reside in our gut and constitute an individual's signature microbiome. These bacteria feed on dietary fibre that we cannot digest. In turn, they help us manufacture vitamins and boost our immunity. They also use the enteric nerve plexus and use the ladder of the long vagus nerve to influence brain function. When modern food systems which strip grains of fibre deprive the microbiome of their food, humans suffer adverse health effects.

Recently-unveiled scientific knowledge has brought home valuable lessons: nutrition has to be balanced through composite diets that can prevent both undernutrition and obesity; dietary diversity is essential, as is crop diversity which can enable dietary diversity; nutrient quality of crops depends on soil health, water quality and water security; seed quality; nutrients that enable plant growth and environmental conditions such as ambient temperature and atmospheric carbon dioxide levels.

While several of these requirements continue to be addressed through multi-sector policies, agricultural research in India has recently focused on ensuring scaled up production of nutrient rich, climate resilient crops. Bio-fortification has emerged as an important intervention to boost the nutrient content of crops.

Unlike food fortification, bio-fortification does not add nutrients to food items like salt, flour or milk. It aims to produce plants which can yield the right mix of nutrients at desired levels to support growth, good health and wellbeing. It is not subject to the market vagaries of production processes and pricing which impact the consumption of fortified foods. It also enables the plant to provide a right balance of multiple phytonutrients instead of a skewed supply that comes from selective food fortification.

Indian Agricultural Research Institute has undertaken innovative research in recent years to employ a variety of bio-fortification techniques to improve the zinc, iron and vitamin A content in commonly-consumed crops. Innovations include high-nutrient maize, wheat and vegetable varieties such as vitamin A-enriched carrots and iron-rich pearl millet, zinc-enriched wheat and protein-packed maize with higher yields.

While these innovations are exciting, science-led public policy demands evidence of the intended benefits. For that, IARI recently linked arms with the Indian Council of Medical Research to launch a purpose-driven partnership, SEHAT or Science Excellence for Health through Agricultural Transformation. Its key action areas include bio-fortification of crops; integrated farming systems (combining crops, livestock, fisheries and horticulture); agri-nutrition for NCDs; a 'One Health' approach and protection of farmers' health.

Even as these two scientific agencies work on estimating the health benefits of crops like pearl millets, pearls of wisdom from Union ministers linked ancient wisdom to contemporary challenges at the launch of SEHAT. Health Minister J P Nadda called for an effective response to the challenge of NCDs by coupling multi-sectoral interventions to integrated health systems which prioritise prevention, early detection and continuity of care. Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan invoked the Ayurvedic canon of healthy nutrition: "Hith bhojan, mith bhojan, rithu bhojan." We await SEHAT to make this possible through validated dietary advice.

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REALITY BENEATH THE GLASS CEILING

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FINALLY there is some positive news on women on corporate boards beyond the stale stories or 'ought-to-be' thinking. A recent report, titled '*Women and Men in India 2025: Selected Indicators and Data*' published by the Union ministry of statistics and programme implementation (MoSPI), is an eye-opener on many dimensions of India's gender divide. One heartening information is that women are finally catching up with men on company boards, though their progress on many other fronts continue to be slow.

Out of over 31.6 lakh directorships on the books, 28.7 per cent are now held by women. Almost a million women on boards is a proclamation of arrival, since for decades the gurus perpetuated a false narrative that there were not enough qualified women to adorn boards, particularly for listed companies with higher-order compliance requirements.

The MoSPI data covers all companies on the corporate affairs ministry register—listed and unlisted, big and small. The data also confirms that progress thins out at the senior management level below the board. While the share of women on boards stands over a quarter, it is still only about 17 percent in senior management, although a decent 29 percent share is maintained at other management levels. This appears to be a deliberate HR strategy of keeping women from breaking the glass ceiling and getting to the board.

Zoom in to the listed universe—the most visible and regulated, the one the gurus had loudest views about—and a sharper picture emerges. Prime Database's March 2026 report on the 2,285 NSE main-board listed companies puts hard numbers to it. As of February 2026, 98 percent of listed firms had at least a woman director, up from 97 percent a year earlier; 47 percent now have two or more, up from 35 percent in 2021; but only 88 percent have at least one independent woman director. Women hold 21 percent of all board seats (3,738 directorships held by 2,898 women), against 18 percent in 2021 and a mere 5 percent in 2014 when the regulation kicked in—a more-than-four-fold rise in just over a decade. Women now account for 28 percent of independent directorships, up from 17 percent in 2018.

Move one rung down from the board to actual executive authority and the picture changes. Women are only 14 percent of key managerial personnel, 10 percent of executive directors and just 5 percent of managing directors and CEOs—of the 130 women in those posts among 119 firms, 69 percent are from the promoter families. Only 6 percent of these companies have a woman board chair, and roughly half of those, too, are promoters. Among non-promoter executive directorships, women hold just 7 percent. Most of these new women directors are promoters of start-ups, with some catapulted to boards by promoter families.

GLIM

> A recent report showing the rising number of women on corporate boards busts a myth or two. But a closer look reveals a narrowed pool one rung below. The picture across public institutions, including the five Assemblies elected recently, is dismal

Still, that will give them the experience to be independent directors in other companies, including the big listed ones.

The MoSPI report tells a sobering story across institutions. In the higher judiciary, of the 1,122 sanctioned judicial positions, only 118 are held by women. The police are no better: women constitute only 10 percent of total officers nationally. The defence forces are starker—women account for just 8.31 percent of total personnel across the army, navy, air force, coast guard and the Defence Research and Development Organisation put together. As of 2025 women constitute just 13.65 percent of Parliament and hold a smaller 9.86 percent of ministerial portfolios. Even in the recently-elected legislative Assemblies of five states and a Union territory, out of 824 elected legislators, only 78 are women. Puducherry, a highly literate place, scored a dismal zero, though 40 women candidates were in the fray.

The lone bright spot is at the grassroots: women now account for 49.75 percent of elected Panchayat representatives. So, except local self-government where statutory reservation is the norm, representation of women falls far short of 33 percent.

Academics, chartered accountants, company secretaries, lawyers, engineers—practically every profession throws up capable women in large numbers. Yet most of them remain off the radars of director head-hunters and nomination and remuneration committees alike. The Prime Database numbers on listed firms confirm it: of every hundred non-promoter executive director seats, only seven go to women—the rest of the talent pool sits within the network of family connections and old-boy circuits. So much for talent search! And this, despite several studies showing that presence of a few women on board make a substantial difference to governance of the company.

Despite the unending condescending talk by all political parties and an attempted constitutional amendment, one-third reservation for women still remains a distant dream. Even when the goal is realised, it will seem like a charity to half the nation's people. It is an anachronism that they need affirmative action, that too after having become heads of governments.

It is high time that women get the full half of life's choices and opportunities; not as charity and reservation; but as a natural flowering of a gender-equal society, in tune with the times. Rising sons must not be at the cost of fading daughters. The corporate world becoming the guiding North Star sends a powerful signal. Though we are far from the 'Cinderella' becoming the 'Wonder Woman', gender-equal NIFTY 500 and 100 companies shall not be far away.

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Hungry mouths

Ref: *Conditions for parents* (May 21). Raising even one child in a middle-class family with dwindling resources is full of obstacles; raising three hungry mouths is unthinkable. With high mechanisation in all walks of life and job losses due to AI, it is preposterous to suggest India should go for more babies.
Parthasarathy Mandadi, Tirupati

Practical protocols

Ref: *Protect principal* (May 21). Convoy size reduction is sensible optics, but security can't be cosmetic. The real question is protocol, not pageantry. Electric vehicles, route sanitisation and strict access control are practical improvements. What matters is professional security planning, not the number of accompanying cars.
Pon Arun Kumar, Tiruppur

Safeguarding NEET

Ref: *Block fake info on NEET* (May 21). The directive is timely ahead of the re-exam. Strict online monitoring during examinations can help curb misinformation, prevent paper leak attempts and stop the misuse of technology. Early warnings and tighter restrictions will help protect the credibility and fairness of the examination process.
P V Prakash, Mumbai

Ailing economy

Ref: *Rupee kissing 97* (May 21). This deep-rooted economic distress can't be blamed on the war alone; a greater share of the fault lies in years of flawed domestic policies. It's time the government moves past denial, acknowledges and diagnoses the core structural disease of this economy.
Ramesh Kumar Kalra, Lucknow

Parents' responsibility

Ref: *UP, Bihar lead in dowry death cases* (May 21). It's prudent to make daughters realise that they are rightfully welcomed at their parental homes and must stop tolerating atrocities by their in-laws. Marriages should be solemnised in simple ways at temples and dowry—in any forms—should be prohibited.
Abhilasha Gupta, Mohali

Vox populi

Ref: *UDF keeps poll promise* (May 21). By reversing a move that raised serious environmental, financial and public concerns, the government has shown responsiveness to the voice of people. This move reflects a commitment to balanced development that takes into account long-term public interest and sustainability.
Narayanan Kizhumundayur, Thrissur

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Pawan Khera @Pawankhera
Everyday essentials like food, transportation, domestic, commercial and vehicular fuel, are already painfully expensive, and now falling ill will be unaffordable too.

Mahua Moitra @MahuaMoitra
Let's all cockroaches unite against this latest show of tyranny.... When humour & satire are met with undue force, a newer more powerful force is often born.

Piyush Goyal @PiyushGoyal
It is unfortunate that while the entire world is appreciating India's strength, the Congress and Rahul Gandhi are only engaged in spreading negativity.

PM orders two-year reform agenda

Tells all ministers to create service delivery roadmap with clearly stated objectives, timelines

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

FILE

AMID speculation over a significant reshuffle of the Union Cabinet when the NDA government completes 12 years in office on June 7, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday chaired a crucial meeting of the Council of Ministers at Sewa Teerth in the national capital. The meeting focused on the government's core reform agenda and a range of other issues, including the impact of developments in West Asia on the Indian economy and the performance of key ministries in achieving reform targets over the past 11 months.

The meeting took place after Modi returned from five-nation tour after meeting top European and Saudi leaders.

This was the first major meeting of the full Council of Ministers since June 4, 2025. The marathon session continued for several hours and included multiple rounds of presentations by ministry officials on reforms, future roadmaps and other key issues central to Prime Minister Modi's vision of transforming India into a developed nation by 2047.

At the time of reporting, the meeting of the Council of Ministers, attended by all Ministers of State, senior officials, the Cabinet Secretary and others, was still underway.

According to sources, 13 secretaries from several key central ministries made presentations before the full Union Cabinet chaired by the prime minister. Detailed discussions reportedly took place on reforms in agriculture, railways, finance, energy, and several other crucial sectors as well as the impact of fast-changing geopolitics on the country's preparedness to deal with external challenges. The prime minister is learnt to have issued guidelines and directions on advancing the reform agenda to achieve the desired outcomes within a stipulated timeframe.

The Union government had earlier begun implementing "51 Reforms in all ministries in 51 weeks", and discussions were also held on this coordinated initiative covering the Railways and several other ministries. A review of ministerial performance was also undertaken, a process that often fuels speculation over a Cabinet reshuffle.

Sources indicated that the Modi government is likely to carry out a calibrated Cabinet rejig in certain ministries after June 15.

Sources said all aspects of governance were discussed during the Council of Ministers meeting, including policy execution, roadmaps for the next two years and the economic implications of the West Asia conflict. The prime minister reportedly told officials to stick to timelines efficiently

A senior source said discussions also covered the functioning of various ministries, key decisions taken and the outcomes achieved. The prime minister reportedly urged ministers to ensure the timely delivery of services and also discussed the government's priority areas going forward, which, observers feel, are at the core of governance logic championed by the prime minister across all his terms.

Describing Viksit Bharat 2047 as a national mission, the prime minister directed ministries to prioritise work that is swift, simplified and people-centric.

All ministries also submitted reports outlining reforms proposed for the next two years, along with reports highlighting the achievements of schemes implemented during the past 12 years. Prime Minister Modi also shared insights and outcomes from his recent five-nation official tour with members of the Council.

He further stressed that ministries and departments must work towards minimising inconvenience to citizens while implementing policies and reforms.

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Key Pulwama attack plotter killed in Muzaffarabad, PoK

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

A key accused in the 2019 Pulwama terror attack, Hamza Burhan alias "Doctor", is learnt to have been killed in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK), according to Indian intelligence officials. Burhan, identified as Arjumand Gulzar Dar from Pulwama in Jammu and Kashmir, was allegedly shot by unidentified gunmen in Muzaffarabad, sustaining multiple bullet injuries that proved fatal, they said.

Burhan had been designated a terrorist by the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) in 2022 under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA), following findings by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) in its probe into the Pulwama attack.

The February 14, 2019 suicide bombing at Lethpora in Pulwama district killed 40 CRPF personnel after a Jaish-e-Muhammad (JeM) operative rammed an explosives-laden vehicle into a security convoy, making it one of the deadliest terror strikes on Indian forces.

Investigators had alleged that Burhan played a crucial logistical role in the attack by supplying explosives and grenades to the terrorists involved. He was also accused of involvement in a grenade attack on CRPF personnel in November 2020.

Security officials said Burhan, a resident of Kharbatpora in Pulwama's Ratnipora area, had crossed over to Pakistan in 2017 under the pretext of pursuing higher studies. But, he allegedly joined the banned terror outfit Al-Badr and rapidly rose through its ranks to become a commander.

According to intelligence sources, Burhan later returned to Kashmir, where he was involved in radicalising and recruiting youth, while expanding his network across South Kashmir, particularly in Pulwama and Shopian districts. Following increased counter-terror operations, he reportedly fled back to PoK, where he had been operating.

His death is the latest in a series of mysterious killings of terrorists and senior commanders linked to Pakistan-based terror outfits, including Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), Jaish-e-Muhammad and Hizbul Mujahideen. Several such operatives designated by India under the UAPA have been targeted by unidentified attackers in Pakistan and PoK over the past two years.

Last month, Amir Hamza, considered a founding member of LeT, was reportedly shot by unidentified bike-borne assailants in Lahore. In March, Muhammad Tahir Anwar, elder brother of JeM chief Masood Azhar, died under what were described as mysterious circumstances in Pakistan.

In another high-profile case last year, Abu Qatal, a senior LeT operative and close associate of 26/11 Mumbai attacks mastermind Hafiz Saeed, was gunned down in Pakistan's Jhelum region. Qatal was allegedly linked to the 2024 Reasi terror attack in Jammu and Kashmir that left nine people dead.

Burhan crossed over to Pakistan in 2017: Officials

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Alert for north, central India as temp soars, Banda hottest dist in country

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

THE Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a red alert for northwest and central India, as well as adjoining areas in east India due to the persistence of severe heatwave conditions throughout this week. The IMDs health advisory warned on Thursday that heatwave conditions could lead to heat-related illnesses. It also urged farmers to protect crops by using light and frequent irrigation.

The Banda town in Uttar Pradesh has been recorded as the hottest area in this season, with temperatures soaring to 48.2°C in the last two days, while Delhi broke a 14-year record for the warmest night with a minimum temperature of 31.9°C on Thursday.

Night temperatures in several areas of Odisha, Vidarbha, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Bihar, east Rajasthan, and Uttar Pradesh have been recorded above normal by 3.1°C to 5°C. Other regions in the northwest, central, and eastern parts of the country recorded above-normal temperatures ranging from 1.6°C to 3.0°C.

Maximum temperatures in these regions are currently in the range of 40 to 47°C. Certain places, such as Uttarakhand, Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi, Punjab, Madhya Pradesh, and coastal Andhra Pradesh have recorded temperatures above normal by about 5.1°C.

The IMD has urged extra caution for vulnerable individuals, and those with pre-existing health conditions.

In its Agromet advisories, the IMD has recommended providing light and frequent irrigation to vegetable like tomatoes, brinjals, moong, fruit orchards, onion nurseries, and cotton as well as summer fodder crops in heatwave-affected areas.

The IMD has indicated in its daily bulletin that there will be no significant changes in maximum temperatures in northwest and central India during the week and in east India until May 26.

Meanwhile, conditions are favourable for the further advance of the southwest monsoon into additional parts of the southeast Arabian Sea, Comorin area, southwest and southeast Bay of Bengal, the remaining parts of the Andaman Sea, and some more regions of the east-central Bay of Bengal over the next three to four days.

COUNTRY SEES RED

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Sabotage behind railway accidents, says report

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

Representational photo of Rajdhani Express fire incident | FILE

INDIAN Railways has intensified investigations into a series of recent train fire incidents after preliminary probes suggested the possible involvement of anti-social elements. Railway law enforcement agencies, along with senior railway officials, are continuing investigations to determine whether organised attempts are being made to sabotage railway services following multiple incidents involving fires on trains and railway premises.

Amid the recent incidents, Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw on Thursday chaired a high-level security review meeting with senior railway field officials. During the meeting, the minister directed authorities to strengthen intelligence-gathering efforts by improving the use of modern technology and better coordination between field units and the Railway Board headquarters.

Security agencies and the Railway Protection Force have launched an extensive investigation after CCTV footage captured a suspicious incident at Howrah station near the cab road area. According to officials, the footage allegedly showed a suspect throwing an object that immediately burst into flames during peak passenger hours, raising concerns among authorities over passenger safety and security at railway stations.

The incident at Howrah station occurred shortly after intelligence inputs and warnings indicated that the railway network could be vulnerable to sabotage attempts. One of the most serious recent incidents involved an inflammable object allegedly being thrown near the taxi stand area at Howrah station shortly before a fire was reported in one of the coaches of the Mithila Express. Preliminary investigations and reviews of CCTV footage in several other fire-related incidents also indicated that some of the fires appeared to have been deliberately set.

The Railway Ministry stated that advanced technologies, including AI-enabled systems, drones and enhanced CCTV surveillance, are being deployed to improve passenger safety and strengthen protection of railway infrastructure. The meeting was convened following several incidents, including train fires, for which preliminary investigations pointed to possible involvement by anti-social elements.

In an official statement issued after the meeting, the ministry said it would use the latest surveillance technologies and AI-based systems to strengthen railway safety measures. Officials from railway zones across the country participated in consultations held in the national capital in the presence of senior ministry officials.

The Railways stated that prompt action by railway personnel in several cases helped avert major incidents. Authorities also stressed the need to strengthen intelligence systems, improve technology-driven monitoring, expand CCTV coverage and encourage passengers to remain alert.

The Railways has appealed to passengers to immediately report suspicious activities or individuals through the railway helpline number 139.

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'Need accused nod for courts to hear sedition cases'

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Thursday said that courts can hear trials pertaining to Section 124-A of the Indian Penal Code, which relates to sedition, if the accused has no objection to it.

The clarification from a bench comprising Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justices Joymalya Bagchi and Vipul M. Pancholi came during the hearing of a plea by an accused who has been in jail for 17 years in a sedition case.

"The petitioner's grievance is that he has no objection if his criminal appeal is heard in its entirety, including with respect to the charge under Section 124-A. That being so, we clarify... that wherever the accused has no objection against the proceeding of the trial, appeal, or any other proceeding where he has been chargesheeted under Section 124-A IPC, also, there shall be no impediment for the courts to decide such matters on merits and in accordance with law," the bench said.

The apex court asked the Madhya Pradesh High Court to hear the petitioner's appeal and decide the same on merit. The appeal filed by the accused is pending before the Madhya Pradesh High Court.

In a landmark order passed on May 11, 2022, the apex court had put the penal provision on sedition on hold till the Centre completed its promised review of the colonial-era relic and also asked the Union and state governments not to register any fresh cases invoking the offence. It had also directed that the ongoing probes, pending trials, and all proceedings under the sedition law would be kept in abeyance nationwide.

The offence of sedition, which was included in section 124A of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) in 1890, has been under intense public scrutiny.

ALSO IN TOP COURT

HCs already hearing cases online: CJI

Chief Justice of India (CJI) Surya Kant on Thursday said he has asked all HCs across the country to conduct hearings online and most of them have implemented it. The observation came when a lawyer mentioned a plea seeking an urgent hearing of her plea that all Delhi courts should go online before a bench headed by CJI.

'Excluding legal heirs can't invalidate will'

Noting that the very purpose of a will is to alter the normal line of succession, the Supreme Court said that excluding natural heirs from inheritance cannot be treated as a suspicious circumstance to invalidate a will. A bench of Justices Ujjal Bhuyan and Vijay Bishnoi dismissed an appeal regarding the same.

BCI moves SC for women's representation

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Bar Council of India (BCI) has moved the Supreme Court seeking approval for a merit-based "co-option" mechanism to ensure 30% women's representation in state bar councils. The BCI has proposed to fill a 10% co-option quota by selecting women candidates who have secured the highest number of votes among those not elected, rather than through subjective appointments.

The proposal aims to complement the 20% seats reserved for women through direct election, bringing the total representation to the 30% mandate previously set by the apex court.

BCI chairperson and senior advocate Manan Kumar Mishra, in a statement, said the bar body has considered the submissions made by stakeholders before the apex court.

Vande Mataram made mandatory at all WB-recognised madrasas as well

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

MANDATORY singing of Vande Mataram is not just confined to schools in West Bengal, the fiat extends to all madrasas that are sponsored, aided and recognised by the state government as well.

The West Bengal Directorate of Madrasa Education issued a directive on May 19 to district magistrates, secretary of West Bengal Board of Madrasa Education and other offices related to madrasa education directing them to implement the singing of Vande Mataram in all madrasas during morning assembly prayers mandatorily with immediate effect.

"Singing of Vande Mataram will henceforth be mandatory in all recognised madrasas as well. Why should it not be mandatory in madrasas at a time when other recognised schools in the state do the same?" wondered Khsudiram Tudu, state minority affairs and madrasa education minister. The BJP government had on May 14 directed its mandatory singing during assembly prayers in all institutions under the school education department.

West Bengal Chief Minister Suvendu Adhikari reverentially prostrates before monks during a visit to Belur Math, in Howrah district on Thursday | PTI

Replaces Tagore song *Banglar Mati Banglar Jol*

Vande Mataram replaces the state song, *Banglar Mati Banglar Jol*, composed by Rabindranath Tagore in 1905 in school assemblies. The Tagore song was introduced by the erstwhile Trinamool Congress govt led by Mamata Banerjee

DEATH

A 26-year-old married woman died under suspicious circumstances in UP, with her family alleging that her husband, in-laws assaulted and hanged her for not giving birth to a son, police said.

3 KILLED AS BIKE HITS TREE IN J'KHAND'S GUMLA

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	43	28	Mumbai	34	28
Bhopal	41	25	Panaji	33	27
Jaipur	39	26	Patna	39	27
Amritsar	40	24	Lucknow	41	28
Chennai	38	29	Port Blair	32	27
Kolkata	36	28	Imphal	29	19
Srinagar	27	12	Chandigarh	40	26

27 Maoists lay down arms in J'khand, biggest in a day

Police say 25 of the surrendered members are top area commanders

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

IN a major breakthrough, 27 Maoists surrendered before senior police officials at the Jharkhand Police Headquarters on Thursday. The surrendered cadres included six Sub-Zonal Committee members, six Area Committee members, and 13 squad members.

According to police headquarters, 25 of the 27 Maoists, are top commanders and members of the 'strike squad' belonging to teams led by Central Committee members, Misir Besra (alias Sagar Ji) and Asim Mandal. All of them were active in the Kolhan and Saranda regions of the state.

Additionally, two Maoists, active in the JJMP organisation within the Gumla district. also laid down their arms.

Among the surrendered Maoists, a total bounty of ₹33 lakhs had been declared on 8 individuals. Several serious criminal cases are registered against all of them. DGP Tadasha Mishra said that twenty-seven Maoists, wanted in a large number of cases, surrendered before the police under 'Operation Navjeevan'. "I must assure to those who laid their arms today that the way they are being welcomed today, proper care will be taken of them in future also," said the DGP.

Surrendered Maoists and top police officials in Ranchi on Thursday | PTI

Very few Naxals left in Saranda, Kolhan forests: SP

When asked about the number of Maoists still left in Saranda and Kolhan jungles of West Singhbhum, the SP said, "All I can say that a very few numbers of Maoists are left in Saranda. We are working on it and also getting constant inputs and operations are being conducted."

According to the police officials, this mass surrender signals the weakening of Naxal activities within the state. Police officials said that the Maoists now are under pressure due to continuous operations and strict enforcement actions. Driven by internal exploitation and intimidation within the CPI (Maoist) organisation, as well as the police's relentless and mounting pressure, many Maoists are choosing to rejoin the mainstream, they said.

These surrendered Maoists will be provided with benefits under the government's rehabilitation policy, enabling them to return to the social mainstream, they said.

Police officials termed it a historical day, and are hopeful that the Naxal problem will come to an end very soon in Saranda region, the only Maoist stronghold left in Jharkhand. "This is the historic day that a large number of Maoists have surrendered today. This will be a turning point in the history of this state in the Naxal scenario. We expect that after this the Naxal problem will take a turn and soon come to an end," said West Singhbhum SP Amit Renu.

67 looted arms recovered in Manipur drive

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

MANIPUR Police and security forces recovered 67 looted weapons by arresting four members of a militant group on Thursday. Acting on intelligence regarding attempts to sell looted arms and ammunition in the Lamshang area of Imphal West district, the police launched a special operation on Wednesday at Lamdeng falling under the Lamsang police station.

During the operation, two members of United National Liberation Front (Pambei faction) or UNLF (P), identified as Heishnam Thomas Singh (29) of Mayang Imphal Kokchai and Arambam Tomtom Singh (29) of Lamshang Heibongpokpi Mayai Leikai, were apprehended, along with one INSAS light machine gun, three INSAS light machine gun magazines and 14 live cartridges.

When the arrest was underway, associates of the two rebels fired at the security forces. Later, the two, identified as Ningthoujam Rakesh Singh and Chingakham Mahesh Singh, were apprehended.

During interrogation, the arrested persons disclosed that they had come to sell the seized weapons on the instruction of self-styled "lance corporal" Naorem Bijoy alias Macha of UNLF (P). They further admitted their involvement in the sale of looted arms earlier.

Detained parent arrested in NEET exam paper leak case, more under scanner

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THE CBI has arrested Latur-based paediatrician Dr Manoj Shirure in connection with the NEET-UGC 2026 examination paper leak scam for allegedly purchasing leaked questions for his son, who was preparing for the medical entrance test. The arrest marks the first instance of a parent being taken into custody in the widening investigation into the NEET-UGC 2026 paper leak case.

According to investigators, Dr Shirure allegedly bought the leaked question paper from Latur-based RCC Classes founder Shivraj Motegaonkar before the May 3 examination. The scandal has exposed an alleged nexus involving coaching institutes, leaked examination material and parents desperate to secure seats for their children.

The CBI probe revealed that several influential parents allegedly paid between ₹5 lakh and ₹10 lakh to retired chemistry professor PV Kulkarni and Motegaonkar to obtain the examination paper in advance. Dr Shirure is among them.

Investigators are also examining the roles of several other parents and students in Maharashtra suspected of involvement in procuring leaked NEET-UGC 2026 papers.

The probe further found that 43 of the 45 chemistry questions in the final NEET-UGC 2026 examination allegedly matched questions circulated earlier through RCC's guess paper. Investigators cited a viral video in which Motegaonkar reportedly told faculty members that questions given during mock tests ten days before the examination appeared unchanged in the final paper, including numbers and formats.

The CBI alleged that Motegaonkar conducted special night classes for selected students in Latur, where handwritten question papers and answer sheets were distributed for practice. Investigators are also probing the money trail, communication records, and financial transactions linked to the alleged paper-leak network.

JAIPUR DIARY

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Sharma's Gram Vikas Chaupals spark buzz

As the heat scorches Rajasthan and most people look for cool comfort, CM Bhajanlal Sharma is visiting villages to listen to people's grievances and issue on-the-spot directives to officials to resolve their problems. Through these 'Chaupals' (village gatherings), the CM is also taking stock of the ground reality of various schemes. After one such Chaupal in the tribal Banswara district, he also had a meal at the home of a local resident, Gattulal Yadav. The CM has held 'Gram Vikas Chaupals' in Pratapgarh, Sikar, Banswara, Ajmer, Jalore, and Jaipur so far. Besides meetings with officials, the CM also goes on walking tours to interact with villagers.

No crowd at Shekhawat statue ceremony

The ceremony to unveil the statue of former Vice President Bhairon Singh Shekhawat in Jodhpur has created a row. Though Shekhawat was called an 'Ajatshatru' (one without enemies) in Rajasthan politics, the function to commemorate his memory fell victim to internal dissent and organisational failure. The empty chairs and dismal turnout at the gathering have become a topic of discussion in the state. The BJP's top brass was displeased by the failure to draw crowd and summoned the district organisation to Jaipur. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh also expressed his displeasure in the presence of CM Bhajanlal Sharma.

Rajasthan in top place in global tobacco rankings

Discussions on rankings in the fields of development, infrastructure, or tourism are a frequent occurrence but this time Rajasthan has grabbed an international distinction that has made India proud on the global stage. Based on the unconventional, grassroots-level work undertaken in the fields of tobacco control and de-addiction during the 2025-26 period, the WHO has placed Rajasthan in the top position across the entire continent. Amidst rigorous scrutiny and strict criteria for the 'World No Tobacco Day Award 2026', Rajasthan's Department of Medical and Health has secured the first place (Rank 1) in the South-East Asia Region.

In a first, Bihar creates post of IG to man border

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

AMID Union home minister Amit Shah's push for heightened security along border ditrsitcs in states including Bihar, the state government has created a separate post of Inspector General (IG), Border, in order to strengthen security along the state's international and inter-state borders by improving patrolling and developing intelligence gathering mechanism.

The new post has been created in the state for the first time. A proposal in connection with this was approved in a cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Samrat Choudhary on Wednesday evening.

Arvind Kumar, additional chief secretary, cabinet secretariat department, said that the new post will help intelligence agencies maintain strict vigilance along the Nepal border.

The development comes a week after chief secretary Pratyaya Amrit chaired a high-level meeting with top police officers and intelligence agencies to take stock of the situation in districts along the India-Nepal border. He had directed the removal of encroachments on 'No Man's land'.

On February 24 this year, Shah visited Kishanganj district to lead a high-level review meeting on border security.

If crowds swell, staggered timings for namazis at Eidgahs, say clerics in UP

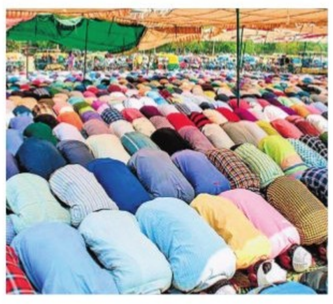
NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

IN response to UP CM Yogi Adityanath's recent remarks that Namaz should be offered at designated places and not on roads or public places causing inconvenience of general public, several Muslim clerics have said that the prayers on upcoming Eid-ul-Azha would be offered inside the mosques and Eidgahs like in previous years.

They said that if the number of Namazis exceed the capacity of mosques or Eidgahs, arrangements could be made for multiple prayer shifts.

Addressing an event in Lucknow recently, CM Yogi had said that namaz should be offered inside mosques and other designated places instead of public spaces like roads. He had also suggested that if there was a large gathering, prayers could be offered in shifts as when Namaz was offered on roads, it leads to traffic snarls and inconvenience to people.

According to prominent Muslim cleric Maulana Khalid Rasheed Firangi Mahali who is also a senior executive member of the All India Muslim Personal Law Board (AIMPLB) and chairman of Indian Islamic Centre, said that like every year, this year also, extensive preparations are on in mosques and Eidgahs for



Eid-ul-Adha on May 28.

Maulana Firangi Mahali said that arrangements for offering namaz in multiple shifts could be made if needed, provided each congregation had a separate Imam.

The cleric claimed that Muslims had been offering prayers inside mosques and Eidgahs for years and had always followed law and order because namaz was not only an act of worship, but it also taught discipline.

By avoiding prayers on roads for years, Muslims had demonstrated that they were a disciplined and civilised community, added the cleric.

Referring to CM Yogi's remarks, Maulana Firangi Mahali said: "We expect the government to apply the same rules to all communities. Ideally, no community should organise processions or gatherings on roads."

Twisha's husband on the run, seeks bail; dad too moves HC

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

LEGAL developments in the alleged dowry death case of 33-year-old ex-model and actor Twisha Sharma shifted from Bhopal to Jabalpur on Thursday. Multiple petitions were moved before the Madhya Pradesh High Court. Twisha's absconding husband, Samarth Singh, filed an anticipatory bail plea before the High Court's principal bench after a Bhopal court denied him relief on May 18. His counsel, Mrigendra Singh, said the matter could be heard next week by the vacation judge.

The senior advocate also advised Samarth Singh and his mother, former judge Giribala Singh, to seek a CBI probe. Singh said, "The way Twisha's family is baselessly accusing my clients of trying to influence the investigations in the case and misusing official machinery, it's best that we should ourselves petition the HC to order a CBI probe in the matter. While Giribala Singh received anticipatory bail on May 17, Samarth has remained untraceable since bail was denied.

Twisha's father, Navnidhi Sharma, has approached the High Court seeking cancellation of Giribala Singh's anticipatory bail. The family is also preparing a petition seeking a second post-mortem at AIIMS-Delhi. Earlier, a JMFC court in Bhopal dismissed a similar plea on jurisdictional grounds. However, the court directed police to preserve the body at minus 80 degrees Celsius. Samarth's counsel argued there was no legal provision for a revised post-mortem under the old CrPC or the new BNSS, except in extraordinary circumstances.

Twisha's family also plans to seek preservation and forensic protection of digital evidence linked to at least 46 mobile phone numbers. They alleged some numbers were connected to the judiciary circles and were in contact with the accused after Twisha's death.

Meanwhile, the CID has initiated the process to transfer the SIT investigation to the CBI under the Delhi Special Police Establishment Act. This came a day after CM Dr Mohan Yadav assured the family of support for a CBI probe.

The MP government has also initiated an inquiry against Giribala Singh, who heads the Bhopal-2 District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission. This move is being seen as the start of the process to remove her from the quasi-judicial body. Police said she had not yet recorded her statements. Her legal team, however, maintained she would cooperate with investigators.

Inquiry initiated against victim's mother-in-law

The state food, civil supplies and consumer protection department has initiated an inquiry against Giribala Singh, currently president of the Bhopal-2 District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, a move seen as the beginning of proceedings to remove her from the body.

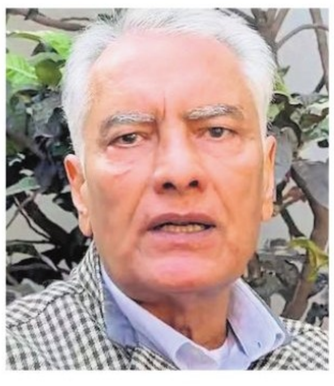
Reshuffle likely, Sikh may head BJP in Punjab

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

WITH the 2027 Punjab Assembly elections less than a year away, the BJP is expected to appoint a new president for its Punjab unit, as the three-year tenure of current chief Sunil Jakhar ends in July. As part of its preparations for the polls, the party is likely to choose a Sikh face for the post.

Sources said the announcement could come in by the end of this month or early next month. Until then, Jakhar is expected to continue leading the campaign.

Among the names being discussed are Union Minister of State for Railways Ravneet Singh Bittu, grandson of former Chief Minister Beant Singh, who joined the BJP after leaving the Congress; former Finance Minister Manpreet Singh Badal, cousin of Shiromani Akali Dal president Sukhbir Singh Badal; and Jagmohan Singh Raju, a former bureaucrat who entered politics in 2022 and now serves as Punjab BJP general secretary.



Hindu leaders also being considered for post

Party leaders believe choosing a Sikh president is politically necessary, but Hindu leaders are also not completely out of the picture. Senior BJP leader Tarun Chugh, who has long handled the party's affairs in Punjab, is also believed to be under consideration for the post.

Other names in contention include Kewal Dhillon, who joined the BJP after resigning from the Congress. His candidature is reportedly being backed by former Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh. Senior BJP leader Manjit Singh Rai from Ferozepur is also emerging as a strong contender because of his organisational experience and grassroots support in the Malwa region. Rajya Sabha MP and Chandigarh University founder Satnam Sandhu, former minister Rana Gurmeet Sodhi, and former MLA Fateh Jung Singh Bajwa are also being considered.

Sources said Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Saini, who has been attending party programmes in Punjab, is also pushing for a Sikh face.

After its victory in West Bengal, where it defeated Mamata Banerjee's party by winning 207 of 290 seats, the BJP has now turned its focus to Punjab, where it has traditionally struggled.

Party leaders believe choosing a Sikh president is politically necessary, as the Sikh community remains dominant in the state and Punjab has always had a Sikh chief minister. At the same time, Hindu leaders are also not completely out of the picture, and senior BJP leader Tarun Chugh, who has long handled the party's affairs in Punjab, is also believed to be under consideration for the post.

'Lights, camera, arrest'! Life convict Bollywood actor nabbed in Gujarat

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

THE Crime Branch of Gujarat Police has arrested a fugitive murder convict who spent the last 12 years living as a struggling actor in Bollywood. Hemant Modi was sentenced to life imprisonment in a 2005 murder case and was serving a jail term when in jumped parole in 2014. The police say he changed identities and moved to Mumbai, where he acted in more than 40 films, serials, and plays.

Modi shared screen space with top Bollywood names in this period and acted in films like "Thugs of Hindostan", starring Amitabh Bachchan and Aamir Khan, and "Jayeshbhai Jordaar", which featured Ranveer Singh. He also worked in Gujarati cinema, theatre productions, and web series, in which he acted alongside popular names like Hitu Kanodia and Hiten Kumar.

Sources said Modi was involved in a scuffle in the Naroda area of Ahmedabad in 2005, when a seemingly minor dispute over placing a ladder on a road spiralled into street violence. Hemant Modi, along with his brother Sachin Modi and five friends, attacked one Narendra Kamble during the clash. Kamble was killed, for all seven were sentenced to life imprisonment in 2008.

Hemant was lodged in the Mehsana jail. According to investigators, prison life shattered him emotionally. He reportedly told his wife that his entire life would now end behind bars. The relationship collapsed soon after, ending in divorce. Hemant allegedly began plotting a second life and got an opportunity in 2014, when he was released on 30-day parole.

Hemant jumped the parole, fled Gujarat, and started living in Mumbai under different identities, including Spandan Modi and Twinkle Dave. His dramatic escape ended after the Crime Branch received intelligence inputs suggesting Hemant Modi had quietly been visiting Ahmedabad. Acting on the tip-off, officials launched technical surveillance and monitored his movements. After days of tracking, the Crime Branch laid a trap near Ghee Kanta Metro Station, where Hemant was finally detained.

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Bengal Gram (Whole) E-tender No.BS10/014888/2026 -TNCSC/26-27
Green Gram (Whole) E-tender No. BS10/016207/2026 -TNCSC/26-27

No. BS10/014888/2026 **Date : 21.05.2026**

Online electronic e-tender for **Purchase of 302 MT. of Black Bengal Gram (Whole) and 345 MT. of Green Gram (Whole)** to deliver at all the TNCSC's godowns in all Regions for issuing under PTMGR NMP scheme and ICDS.

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Last Date and Time for Online Submission 08.06.2026 upto 11.00 AM

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ई-निविदा सूचना संख्या 08/2026-27

निम्नलिखित कार्यों के लिए केन्द्र / राज्य सरकार के अभियांत्रिकी विभागों द्वारा पंजीकृत एवं अनुभवी संवेदकों से निर्धारित प्रपत्र में ई–टेण्डरिंग प्रक्रिया हेतु ऑनलाइन निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती है।

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1	Construction of Hadbuji Panorama at Bengti District Phalodi (Raj.) UBN is: HPP2627WSOB00029	310.54 Lakh	15 Months
2	Construction of Gogadeveji Rathore Panorama, Sekhala Dist. Jodhpur (Raj.) UBN is: HPP2627WSOB00030	282.46 Lakh	15 Months

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राज.संवाद/सी/26/3280 **मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी**

Deptt.of Water Resources
Government of Odisha
"e" Procurement Notice No. ACEDC-CTC- 07/ 2026-27 32001/264/2627

1. Name of the Works : **Total 01(One) no.** Drainage work.
2. Estimated cost : **Rs. 814.52 lakh**
3. Period of Completion : **18 (Eighteen) months**
4. Date and time of availability of bid document in the portal : From 11.30 hours of Dt. 25.05.2026 to 18.00 hours of Dt. 08.06.2026.
5. Last date/time for receipt of bids in the portal : **18.00 hours of Dt. 08.06.2026**
6. Name and address of the Officer inviting Bid : Additional Chief Engineer, Drainage Circle, Gandarpur, Cuttack- 753003. e-mail id :- sedrainagecirclectc@gmail.com

Further details can be seen from the e-Procurement portal of Odisha Government ***https://tendersodisha.gov.in.*** All information, notices, addendum, corrigendum, cancellation notice etc. if required, will be published in this portal.

Sd/- Additional Chief Engineer
OIPR-32001/32518/1/26-27/0005 **Drainage Circle, Cuttack**

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Government of India
Department of Space
ISRO Propulsion Complex (IPRC)
Mahendragiri P.O., Tirunelveli District, Tamil Nadu– 627 133, India

CORRIGENDUM **Dated : 21.05.2026**

In continuation to the e-NIT notifications published, the sale period for the below-mentioned works is extended up to 01-06-2026.

1. Providing cold air feeding unit in Engine Bay of SIET at IPRC, Mahendragiri. (AC Work) (No.: IPRC/CMG/TD/e-177/MI/AC-05/2025-26, Dated:19-02-2026) (Estimated cost: ₹ 14.56 Lakhs)
2. Mechanical works for, a) Replacement of Long travel (LT) motors along with Gear box in TCT, b) Providing radio frequency remotes for existing cranes in SIET & TCT facilities, at IPRC, Mahendragiri. (No.: IPRC/CMG/TD/e-188/MI/M-01/2025-26, Dated:26-03-2026) (Estimated cost: ₹ 15.45Lakhs)
3. Construction of Electrical workshop for Substation - A at IPRC, Mahendragiri. (Civil & Electrical works) (NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TD/e-08/MI/CMP-03/2026-27, Dated:07-05-2026) (Estimated cost: ₹ 22.94Lakhs)

For eligibility criteria and other details, interested tenderers may please refer to the detailed bilingual (Hindi-English) Notice Inviting Tenders (NIT) on the website https://www.isro.gov.in/Tenders.html and tender free view at https://www.tenderwizard.com/isro

Group Head, CMG

PUBLIC NOTICE

General public are hereby informed that, my client is intending to purchase the schedule property from its lawful owners in possession and enjoyment viz., 1) Sri. R. Govindaraju S/o Late M. Raju, aged about 49 years, 2) Smt. Pankaja W/o Sri. R. Govindaraju, aged about 46 years & 3) Miss. G Poojashree D/o Sri. R. Govindaraju, aged about 23 years. All are residing at: No.133, 2nd Stage, 2nd Phase, 15th Cross, Near Panchamukhi Ganesha Temple, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore – 560 086. The Sl.Nos.1 & 2 of the aforesaid, claim to have purchased the same under the registered Sale Deed dated 06.11.2013, executed by Sri.G.Krishnappa S/o Late Govindappa along with his family members, which has been registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Doddaballapura as Document No.DBP-1-07073/2013-14, Book No.1, stored in CD No.DBPD304, dated 07.11.2013.

Said Sri.G.Krishnappa in turn claims to have purchased the same under the registered Sale Deed dated 04.04.2013, executed by the wife and children of Late Narayanachar S/o Late Venkata Subbachari of Chikkahejjaji, who was the Grantee of the land through the Order passed by the Tahsildar, Doddaballapura Taluk in Case No.LND/UCR/36/92-93 dated 26.03.1996. Said Sale Deed has been registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Doddaballapura as Document No.DBP-1-00138/2013-14, Book No.1, stored in CD No.DBPD292, dated 04.04.2013.

Any persons having any claims, rights, title, interest, objections of whatsoever either towards schedule property or its transaction, then they can file their objections along with all necessary documents to the under mentioned within 15 days from the date of this notice. Failing which, it is deemed that there is no objection whatsoever from anyone in dealing with the property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the land bearing Sy.No.18/P1 New Sy.No.136, measuring 01 Acre, situated at Chikkahejjaji Village, Doddabalavangala Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and bounded on;
East by : Govt. Halla,
West by : Land of Sri. Doddahamumaiah & Govt. Road,
North by : Land of Sri. Veeranna,
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SRI. A. VISHWANATHA, Advocate
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APPENDIX IV-A
[proviso to rule 9(1)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E- Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., Kanakapura Road Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **16.06.2026,** for recovery of **Rs.14,60,000/-** (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Sixty Thousand Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mr.Shankar B and Mrs Viji** (Borrowers) and **Mr.Darshan S and Mr. Sharath Gowda P S** (Guarantors), as on 21.05.2026, together with further interest and other charges thereon. The reserve price will be **Rs.38,50,500/-** (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakhs Fifty Thousand Five Hundred only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.3,85,050/-** (Rupees Three Lakhs Eighty Five Thousand Fifty only)

Description of the Immovable Property:-

All the piece and parcel of the immovable House property bearing western portion of Site No.35, Katha no.24/3, Measuring East to West 23 feet and North to South 15 feet, totally measuring 345 sqfts, situated at Jaraganahalli village, Bommanahalli Municipality limits, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560078 and bounded on the East by - Remaining eastern portion of same site, West by - Site no.36, North by Site no.32, South by Road.
ENCUMBRANCE :- NIL

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx). Link for participating in e-auction : www.auctionbazaar.com

Sd/-
Date: 21.05.2026 **Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru Can Fin Homes Ltd.

Mysore District Co-Operative Milk Producers'Societies Union Ltd.,
Bannur Road, Alanahalli Post, Mysuru-570028.
Phone No. 0821-2474475, Fax No.0821-2474476,
e - mail : purmymul@gmail.com

Short Term Tender Notification (Through e-procurement only)

Mysore Dist. Co-Op Ltd Milk Union Ltd., Mysore Invites tender from eligible Tenderers for the Supply of the following materials/services through e-procurement portal. For the tender document please visit e-procurement platform at **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sl No	Tender Notification No.	Items(Details)	Last Date for Submission of Tender
1	KMF/2026-27/ IND2231	Design, supply and installation of MS structural for outdoor pipe bridge, pipe rack, wall supports etc at Mymul Mega Dairy, Mysore.	30.05.2026 Before 05:00PM
2	KMF/2026-27/ IND2232	Supply, installation, testing and commissioning of 2000kg capacity of CEPL-GL-F-MMR (Permanent Magnet synchronous gearless- mini machine room) series goods elevator for Mega Dairy UHT plant, Mysore.	

For further information please contact Purchase Department during working hours. **(Mobile No: 6366430821, 9482231739).**
Sd/- Managing Director
Mysore District Co-Operative Milk Union Ltd.,

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ವಿಭಾಗ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಮುಂದೂಡಿಕೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:01/2026–27 ದಿನಾಂಕ:20–05–2026
ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ: ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 04/2026–27 ದಿನಾಂಕ:18–05–2026

ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ಉಲ್ಲೇಖಿತ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ವಿಭಾಗಕ್ಕೆ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ಉಪವಿಭಾಗಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಪಡುವ 5054–04–337–0–01–154 ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಮತ್ತು ಇತರೆ ರಸ್ತೆ ಸುಧಾರಣೆ ಲೆಕ್ಕಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ ಅಡಿ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿರುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಕ್ರಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 1 (ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ವರ್ಗ), ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕವಾಗಿ 03–06–2026 ಎಂದು ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿತ್ತು. ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಕಾರಣಗಳಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ದಿನಾಂಕವನ್ನು ಮುಂದೂಡಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 04–06–2026 ಎಂದು ಮರು ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಉಳಿದಂತೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳು ಇರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್,
ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ,
ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ವಿಭಾಗ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)
Regional Office West
Chitrapur Mutt Complex, Malleswaram 15th Cross, Bangalore-560055.

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 13(4)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the authorized Officer of the **Canara Bank, Regional Office, Bengaluru West** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **16.03.2026** calling upon the Borrower **(1) Smt. Puttamma (Borrower)** D/o Narasimanna A D, Sanjay Gandhi Accident Hospital Byrasandra, Jayanagar 4th Block, Bengaluru South-560011. **1A. Smt. Puttamma (Borrower)** D/o Narasimanna A D, Quarter No.613, Sector IV, HMT Township, Jalahalli, Bangalore-560013. **1B. Smt. Puttamma (Borrower)** Flat No.B5-003, Ground Floor, B-5th Block, Alur Phase-2 Model-2 Layout, Bengaluru North-562123. to repay the amount mentioned in the notice of **Rs.18,69,118.38 (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand One Hundred and Eighteen and Thirty Eight Paise Only)** and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **21th day of May 2026.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Canara Bank, Bengaluru Rajajinagar 1st Block Branch** for an amount of **Rs.18,69,118.38 (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand One Hundred and Eighteen and Thirty Eight Paise Only)** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

Name of the title Holder : Smt. Puttama

SCHEDULE-"A" : Alur Residential Block-3 : All that piece and parcel of Residential Complex Phase 2 in Block No.3 consisting of 8 houses constructed by Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) on the property Sy No.113,114, 115 situated at Alur Bangalore and land Measuring North to South: 23.5 meters and East to West: 21.00 meters. (Total area of 8 houses 493.5 sq.m., area of 1 house 61.68 sq.m.) and bounded: East by :Road /Car Park, West by : Park, North by: Road, South: Block No. 2.

SCHEDULE "B" : 61.68 (Sixty One point Six Eight) square meters of Schedule-'A' has been given an undivided share, power, right, interest and ownership and the total area of this house is 94.53 (Ninety Four point Five Three) square meters.

SCHEDULE "C" : All that piece and parcel of residential flat bearing No. B5-003 (B. Five-Three) consisting of 2 BHK, Ground Floor, B-5 Block Alur BDA Flat, phase 2 measuring of 94.53 (Ninety Four point Five Three) square meters built-up area in the residential complex constructed in together with proportionate share and right to use in the common areas, passages, lobbies, staircases and other areas of common use and bounded: East by: Flat Number B5-004 (B.Five-Four), West by: Park, North by: Passage, South by: Flat number B5-002 (B.Five-Two).

CERSAI ID: 400066806502

Date : 21.05.2026 **Sd/-Authorized Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Canara Bank**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my clients are intending to Purchase the immovable property more fully described in the schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as 'Schedule Property' from its rightful owner Sri.Vikram Kumar (present owner), Son of Late Jugraj P Jain, Aged about 45 years, R/at No.10, Rama Iyengar Road, V V Puram, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru- 560 004.

Sri.Vikram Kumar has informed my clients that, the schedule property herein is newly constructed on the larger property bearing No.323. The said Larger Property was originally belonging to City Improvement Trust Board [CITB now called BDA], who allotted the same to Sri.K.Subbaiah Setty, Advocate on 27.04.1949 and handed over the possession on 23.07.1951. Sri.K.Subbaiah Setty died on 07.11.1961, bequeathing the larger property to his wife Smt.K.Leelavathamma in terms of registered Will dated 29.10.1961. Smt.Leelavathamma sold the said larger property in favour of Sri.K.K.Achaya vide registered Sale deed dated 30.03.1962. As such CITB had not executed Absolute Sale Deed in favour of the original allottee, the said Sri.K.K.Achaya, being the present owner of the larger property has got executed the registered Deed of Sale from CITB to make better title on the said property.

Sri.Vikram Kumar has further informed my clients that, Sri.K.K.Achaya died intestate on 21.04.1994, leaving behind his wife Smt.Cauveri, one daughter Indirani Nanjappa and four sons namely K.A.Rajiv, K.A.Ashok, K.A.Dayanand & K.A.Vivek to succeed the Larger property herein as his only legal heirs. The said Smt.Cauvery Achaya and all her sons have executed registered Power of Attorney dated 05.09.1998 in favour of Indirani Nanjappa to sell the Larger Property to prospective buyers and later the said property was sold to N.V.Babu vide registered Sale Deed dated 25.09.2006 and Rectification Deed dated 22.03.2021. subsequently vide registered Sale Deed dated 07.05.2021, Sri.N.V.Babu sold the larger property to the present owner Sri.Vikram Kumar and presently the said owner has constructed the residential apartment on the larger property and the schedule property herein is one unit/flat out of the said apartment building.

Sri.Vikram Kumar has further informed my clients that, ever since the date of acquiring the Larger Property he is in peaceful physical possession and enjoyment of the same as its sole and absolute owner, with clear and open notice to all the general public, without any let/hindrance from any individual person/s, statutory authorities, companies, etc.

If any person/s, financial institutions, companies, statutory authorities, etc claiming any right, title, charge, ownership, what so ever, in respect of the Larger Property / Schedule Proeperty herein or have any objections for the intended sale transaction or against ownership in respect of said property, may lodge such claim or objections with all supporting documents before the below mentioned Advocate, within SEVEN DAYS from the date of this Publication, failing which my clients will proceed with the intended sale and purchase the schedule property by getting the registered Sale Deed or any such deeds executed in their favour, as if there are no objections, claims etc from any individual person/s, statutory authorities, companies, etc against the schedule property and any claim or objections made thereafter shall not be binding on my client/s.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THE PART AND PARCEL OF residential Flat measuring 1848 Sq.Ft., of Super built-up area on the First Floor, constructed on Larger Property bearing Municipal No.30 (CITB Site No.323) site area measuring East to West 80 Feet, North to South 50 Feet, i.e., total 4000 Sq. Ft., situated at 9th Cross, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-560027 and the said larger property/site is bounded on: East by: Property/Site No.320; West by: 9th Cross Road; North by: Property/Site No.322; South by: Property/Site No.324.

Bhaskar Babu H J, Kanaka & Associates
Advocates & Solicitors
Date: 21.05.2026 #215.1st floor, 1st Main Road, Sampangiramanagara, B'lore-27
Place: Bengaluru Cell No: 9741777644/ 9740244365/9900178817

THE CITIZEN CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED
No.651/A, 1st Main Road, 'D' Block, 2nd Satge, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560010.Phone : 080 - 2332 1923, 2332 8735, 2352 0466
E-maill. citizenbk@rediffmail.com

POSSESSION NOTICE See Rule - 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Where as The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **The Citizen Co-op Bank Ltd.,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 has issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on below mentioned dates.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **The Citizen Co-Op Bank Ltd., Rajajinagar, Bangalore,** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

(1) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Mr. Ramkumar BS S/o Shivaramegowda A, **(2) Mrs. Sheela M S** W/o Ramkumar B S both are residing at 167, 4th main road, 7th cross, Mahalakshmi Layout Bangalore, Sriram nagar Geleyarabalaga, Bengaluru Urban, Karnataka- 560086.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 65,27,666/- (Rupees Sixty Five Lakhs Twenty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Six Only) as on **05.03.2026** and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 12.03.2026 Possession Notice Date: 20.05.2026

Description of the Immovable Property: All that part and parcel of Property bearing Old No. 11, New No. 11/23, Carved out of Sy No. 1, of Jarakabande Kaval, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, With in the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 68 (Mahalakshmi Pura) 4th Main, Geleyarabalaga, Bangalore. and Measuring East to West 25.0" feet and North to South 30.0" feet, in all totally measuring 750 sq. ft. with construction there on and bounded on the following boundaries: East: Private Property, West: Potion of Property No. 11, North: Road, South: Conservancy.

(2) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) Mr.Rosanathan I S/o Late A Issac M **(2) Mrs. Sagaya Selvi** W/o Rosanathan **(3) Mr. Robert Issac R** S/o Rosanathan 4. Mr. Robin Issac R S/o Rosanathan all are residing at # 178, 1st Main Road, Dasarahalli Mallasandra, 2nd Cross, Near Ashwath Katte, Bangalore Urban, Karnataka-560057.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 84,70,469 /- (Rupees Eighty-Four Lakh Seventy Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Nine Only) as on 05.03.2026 and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 12.03.2026 Possession Notice Date: 19.05.2026

Description of the Immovable Property: All that part and parcel of Property bearing Site No. 14, Carved out of Sy No. 34/5, of Mallasandra Village, Yeshawanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore Now Within the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 13 (Mallasandra) Bangalore. and Measuring East to West 45.0" feet and North to South 30.0" feet, in all totally measuring 1350 sq. feet adjent to the same site on Southern side East to West 18. Feet North to South 2 feet Totally 36. sq ft in all both sites measuring 1386 Sq feet. with construction there on and bounded on the following boundaries: East: 25 Feet Road, West: Site No. 11, North: Site No. 15, South: Site No. 13.

Date : 20.05.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **The Citizen Co-Op Bank Ltd.**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)
Head Office: Bangalore

ARM-1 Branch
2nd Floor, No.86, Spencer Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001. Ph: 080-25310066.
E-mail: cb2366@canarabank.com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described Immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical/Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** through E-Auction under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

For details with regard to E-Auction & digital signature please contact the service provider **M/s PSB Alliance (https://baanknet.com/) e- mail: support.ebkray@psballiance.com Helpdesk Number : 8291220220, Website: https://baanknet.com/**

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. **(Rs. In Lakhs)**

Lot No	Name & Address of the Borrower / Guarantor / Mortgagor	Description of the immovable assets:	(1) Total Dues (2) Auction Date & Time	a. Reserve Price b. EMD c. Incremental Bid	Inspection date & time EMD deposited date
1	**(1) Shri Aditya Mahesh** S/o Late Maheshchandra, **(2) Smt Shanthala H M Both are residing at :** 12/02, Surveyor Street, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004. **(3) Smt Vimala Basavaraju** F1 First Floor, "Benka Enclave", 1st Cross, 2nd Stage, KBH Colony, Basaveshwara Nagar, Bangalore- 560057.	**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY :** All that piece and parcel of the Residential Properties bearing Site No. HIGHS24, Khatha No.26, PID No 21-98-26, situated at House No. 24/26 at 1st Cross, 2nd Stage, K H B Colony, Agrahara Dasarahalli, Basaveshwara Nagar, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 48 feets and North to South 77 feet, in all measuring 3696 Square feet and bounded by : On the East : HIG No. 23 Property, On the West: HIG No. 25 Property, On the North : HIG No. 17 Property, On the South: Road. **SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY :** 1/6th or 616 Square of undivided share, right, title and interest in the aforesaid Schedule "A" Property. **SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY :** All that piece and parcel of the Residential Apartment/ Flat bearing No. F-1 on the First floor in the residential building known as BENEKA ENCLAVE having a Super Built Up Area measuring 1,300 Square Feet constructed on the Schedule "A" Property along with the proportionate share in the common areas with all civic amenities.	Rs. 65,96,466.93 as on 17.05.2026 interest and cost thereon. 09.06.2026 to 10.00 AM to 11.00 AM	a) Rs. 131.50 b) Rs. 13.15 c) Rs. 1.00	04.06.2026 10.00 AM to 2.00 PM before 08.06.2026 5.00 PM
2	**(1) Anil Kumar Raju** No.1844, 22nd Main Rd, 25th Cross, H S R Layout, Bengaluru-560102.	All that piece and parcel of the Residential site No. 37, Villa No. 37, measuring East to West 40 Sqft and North to Southj 30 Sqft, totally measuring 1200 Sqft, constructed super built up area of 2600 Sqft at SKR GARDENS, project situated at Kylasanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore and bounded by: East : Road, West : Villa No. 78, North : Villa No. 36, South : Villla No. 38. **Google Co-ordinates: 12.802222, 77.671917.**	Rs. 1,20,40,694.07 as on 17.05.2026 interest and cost thereon. 09.06.2026 to 10.00 AM to 11.00 AM	a) Rs. 130.00 b) Rs. 13.00 c) Rs. 1.00	04.06.2026 10.00 AM to 2.00 PM on or before 08.06.2026 5.00 PM

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/) portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.080-25310066, 9916585952 and 9486092152 during office hours on any working day.

Date : 21.05.2026 **Sd/-**
Place: Bengaluru **Authorised Officer, Canara Bank**

ದೊಡ್ಡಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಯೋಜನಾ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ
ಎಸ್.ಎನ್. ಕಾಂಪ್ಲೆಕ್ಸ್, ಮೊದಲನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ನಗರ ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಠಾಣೆ ಎದುರು, 'ಡಿ' ಕ್ರಾಸ್, ದೊಡ್ಡಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ- 561203

ಸಂ.: DPA/TP/CLU/04/2026-27 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 21.05.2026

ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ನಗರ ಮತ್ತು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಯೋಜನಾ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1961 ರ ಕಲಂ 14(ಎ) ರ ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಅರ್ಜಿದಾರರು 'ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ' ವಲಯದಿಂದ 'ವಸತಿ' ವಲಯಕ್ಕೆ ಭೂಉಪಯೋಗ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಕೋರಿ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಸದರಿ ಭೂಉಪಯೋಗ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಯ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವನೆಯ ಜಮೀನಿನ ವಿವರಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿರುತ್ತವೆ. ಈ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಯಾವುದೇ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ, ಈ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಪ್ರಕಟವಾದ ದಿನಾಂಕದಿಂದ 15 ದಿನಗಳ ಅವಧಿಯೊಳಗೆ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಲಿಖಿತವಾಗಿ ಸದಸ್ಯ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿಗಳು, ದೊಡ್ಡಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಯೋಜನಾ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ದೊಡ್ಡಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಕಛೇರಿಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ತಿಳಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ನಿಗಧಿತ ಅವಧಿಯ ನಂತರ ಬರುವ ಯಾವುದೇ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ.	ಅರ್ಜಿದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು (RTC ರನ್ವಯ)	ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು	ಹೋಬಳಿ	ಗ್ರಾಮ	ಸ.ನಂ	ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ (ಎ–ಗು)	ಬಿಐಎಪಿಎ ಯೋಜನಾ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದ ಮಹಾಯೋಜನೆಯಲ್ಲಿನ ಭೂಉಪಯೋಗ	ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಕೋರಿರುವ ಭೂ ಉಪಯೋಗ
1.	ಶ್ರೀ ಸುಬ್ಬಣ್ಣ ಎಸ್.ಎಂ. ಬಿನ್ ಮಾರಪ್ಪ	ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಶ್ಯಾನುಬೋಗನಹಳ್ಳಿ	4/4	2–22	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
2.		ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಶ್ಯಾನುಬೋಗನಹಳ್ಳಿ	7/1	3–03	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
3.	ಶ್ರೀ ವಿನಯ್‌ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿ. ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್॥ ಎಸ್. ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಶ್ಯಾನುಬೋಗನಹಳ್ಳಿ	8/2	0–36	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
4.	ಶ್ರೀ ಸುಬ್ಬಣ್ಣ ಎಸ್.ಎಂ. ಬಿನ್ ಮಾರಪ್ಪ	ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಶ್ಯಾನುಬೋಗನಹಳ್ಳಿ	8/3	1–20	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
5.	ಶ್ರೀ ವಿನಯ್‌ಕುಮಾರ್ ಬಿ. ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್॥ ಎಸ್. ಬೈರಪ್ಪ	ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	31ರ ಪೈಕಿ	2–22	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
6.	ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಜಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇಟ್॥ ನಾರಾಯಣಪ್ಪ	ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	31ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0–31	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
7.	ಶ್ರೀ ಅಶ್ವಥಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ	ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	31ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0–31	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
8.	ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಜಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇಟ್॥ ನಾರಾಯಣಪ್ಪ	ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	32/1	0–8.50	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
9.		ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	32/2	0–06	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
10.		ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	32/3	0–39.50	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
11.		ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	32/4	0–18	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
12.	ಶ್ರೀ ಅಶ್ವಥಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮುನಿಶಾಮಪ್ಪ	ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	32/6	0–18	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
13.		ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	32/7	1–00	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
14.		ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	32/8	0–39.50	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
15.		ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	32/9	0–06	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ
16.		ಯಲಹಂಕ	ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ2	ಚೊಕ್ಕನಹಳ್ಳಿ	32/10	0–8.50	ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ	ವಸತಿ

ಭೂ ಮಾಲೀಕರುಗಳ ಪರವಾಗಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತ ಜಿಪಿಎದಾರರು ಹಾಗೂ ಜಂಟಿ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿದಾರರಾದ ಮೆ॥ ಎನ್‌ವಿಟಿ ಕ್ವಾಲಿಟಿ ಪ್ರಾಪರ್ಟೀಸ್ ಎಲ್‌ಎಲ್‌ಪಿ ರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಪಾಲುದಾರರಾದ ಶ್ರೀ ವಿವೇಕ್‌ಗಾರ್ಗ್

ಷರಾ: ಪ್ರಶ್ನಿತ ಜಮೀನಿನಲ್ಲಿ ವಸತಿ ವಿನ್ಯಾಸ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಪಡಿಸುವುದರಿಂದ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರಿಗೆ ಕಾನೂನುಬದ್ಧವಾದ ನಿವೇಶನಗಳು ಲಭ್ಯವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ವಿನ್ಯಾಸ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳು ನಡೆಯುವಾಗ ಸ್ಥಳೀಯ ಕೂಲಿ ಕಾರ್ಮಿಕರಿಗೆ ಉದ್ಯೋಗ ದೊರಕುತ್ತದೆ. ಈ ವಿನ್ಯಾಸ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಯಿಂದ ಸುತ್ತಮುತ್ತಲಿನ ಪ್ರದೇಶದ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಗೆ ಸಹಕಾರಿಯಾಗಲಿದೆ. ಯೋಜನಾಬದ್ಧವಾದ ವಿನ್ಯಾಸ ರಚನೆಯಿಂದ ಉತ್ತಮ ರಸ್ತೆ, ನಾಗರಿಕ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯ ಜಾಗಗಳು, ಉದ್ಯಾನವನಗಳು ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರ ಉಪಯೋಗಕ್ಕೆ ಲಭ್ಯವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ ಎಂಬುದಾಗಿ ಅರ್ಜಿದಾರರು ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಹಿತಾಸಕ್ತಿ ಅಂಶವನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಸುತ್ತಾ ಸದರಿ ಪ್ರದೇಶವನ್ನು 'ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ' ವಲಯದಿಂದ 'ವಸತಿ' ವಲಯಕ್ಕೆ ಭೂಉಪಯೋಗ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸಿರುವುದಾಗಿ ತಿಳಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಸಹಿ/–ನಗರ ಮತ್ತು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಯೋಜನಾ ಜಂಟಿ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು ಹಾಗೂ
ಸದಸ್ಯ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿಗಳು, ದೊಡ್ಡಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಯೋಜನಾ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ದೊಡ್ಡಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ.

THREE

killed in Ukrainian drone attack in the Russian border region, says Russian rail operator

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • LS: Light Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	21	1	SNY	Los Angeles	20	12	SNY
Colombo	28	24	SNY	Melbourne	26	15	LC
Dhaka	31	19	SNY	Moscow	4	2	SNY
Dubai	26	21	SNY	New York	7	2	SNY
Houston	31	19	TDS	Singapore	28	25	TDS
Istanbul	33	21	SNY	Toronto	1	-5	SNY
London	13	9	SNY	Washington	3	-2	SNY

Pakistan's army chief to visit Iran to mediate new US-Gulf proposal

Munir's visit comes a day after Donald Trump said talks to stop the war were not fructifying

DUBAI

PAKISTAN'S army chief was due in Iran Thursday, Iranian media reported, with Islamabad mediating as the Islamic republic examines a new US proposal to end the Middle East war.

The expected visit by Field Marshal Asim Munir, a powerful figure with a growing role in Pakistan's foreign relations, comes a day after US President Donald Trump warned that negotiations to end the war were on the "borderline" between a deal and renewed strikes.

A ceasefire on April 8 halted the war launched weeks earlier by the US and Israel, but negotiation efforts have so far failed to yield a lasting peace agreement.

A war of words has taken the place of open conflict but the impasse continues to weigh on the world economy, leaving everyone from investors to farmers in a painful state of uncertainty. On Thursday, Iran's ISNA news agency said Munir's visit was aimed at continuing "talks and consultations" with Iranian authorities, without providing details. Other Iranian media carried the same report.

Field Marshal Asim Munir

Iran negotiator Mohd Ghalibaf

WAR WATCH

Pakistan hosted in April the only direct negotiations between US and Iranian officials to take place since February 28, the day the war began.

Munir was at the centre of the action during that round of talks, greeting both delegations on their arrival and displaying remarkable bonhomie with US Vice President JD Vance.

But the talks ultimately failed, with Iran accusing the US of making "excessive demands".

Since then, the two sides have sent each other multiple proposals, with the threat of renewed war looming all along.

"It's right on the borderline, believe me," Trump told reporters Wednesday. "If we don't get the right answers, it goes very quickly. We're all ready to go."

He said a deal could come "very quickly" or "in a few days", but warned Tehran would have to provide "100 percent good answers".

Tehran's chief negotiator Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf on Wednesday accused Washington of seeking to restart the war, warning of a "forceful response" if Iran were to be attacked.

"The enemy's movements show that despite economic and political pressure, it has not abandoned its military objectives and is seeking to start a new war," Ghalibaf said.

Iran's foreign ministry spokesman Esmaeil Baqaei said the Islamic republic was examining points received from Washington, while repeating Tehran's demands for the release of its assets and an end to a US naval blockade. *AFP*

A file picture of women in Tehran expressing their support for supreme leader Mojtaba Khamenei's handling of the war with US and Israel | AP

Enriched uranium 'must remain' in Iran, says Mojtaba

TEHRAN

IRAN'S Supreme Leader has issued a directive that the country's near-weapons-grade uranium must not be sent abroad, two senior Iranian sources said, hardening Tehran's position on a key US demand in ongoing peace talks.

Ayatollah Mojtaba Khamenei's order could further frustrate US President Donald Trump and complicate talks on ending the US-Israeli war on Iran.

Israeli officials have told *Reuters* that Trump has assured Israel that Iran's stockpile of highly enriched uranium, needed to make an atomic weapon, will be sent out of Iran and that any peace deal must include a clause on this.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has said he will not consider the war over until enriched uranium is removed from Iran, Tehran ends its support for proxy militias, and its ballistic missile capabilities are eliminated.

"The Supreme Leader's directive, and the consensus within the establishment, is that the stockpile of enriched uranium should not leave the country," said one of the two Iranian sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the matter.

Iran's top officials, the sources said, believe that sending the material abroad would leave the country more vulnerable to future attacks by the United States and Israel. Khamenei has the last say on the most important state matters.

The White House and Iran's foreign ministry did not respond to requests for comment.

Iranian officials have repeatedly said Tehran's priority is to secure a permanent end to the war and credible guarantees that the US and Israel will not launch further attacks.

Only after such assurances are in place, they said, would Iran be prepared to engage in detailed negotiations over its nuclear programme. Tehran has long denied seeking a nuclear bomb.

But highly-placed sources said that position changed after repeated threats from President Donald Trump to launch strikes on Iran. *AP*

Democrats eye breakthrough as House takes Iran war vote

WASHINGTON

THE House is expected to vote on legislation Thursday to compel President Donald Trump to withdraw from the war with Iran, a significant test of lawmakers' willingness to go along with a conflict the president launched over two months ago without congressional approval.

The vote is the latest effort by Democrats to rein in Trump's military campaigns by using the War Powers Resolution of 1973. Previous votes on similar resolutions have failed, but Democrats are hoping that Thursday could be a turning point.

One by one, a small but potentially crucial number of Republicans have sided with Democrats to check Trump's power to continue the conflict. On Tuesday, the Senate advanced another war powers resolution on the Iran war when four GOP senators supported the resolution and three others were absent from the vote.

A final vote on the Senate resolution could also come late Thursday, though Republican leaders expect they'll be able to block it once every GOP senator is present.

On Capitol Hill, patience with the war has grown thin as the stalemate in the Strait of Hormuz disrupts global shipping and elevates gas prices in the US. Another House war powers resolution nearly passed last week, falling on a tie vote as three Republicans voted in favor. Democratic Rep. Gregory Meeks of New York, who sponsored the war powers resolution, said he expects the votes this time around. *AP*

UN: Right to strike always protected by labour treaty

THE HAGUE

THE United Nations' top court issued a landmark advisory opinion on the right to strike on Thursday, finding that a cornerstone labour treaty protects the ability of workers to walk off the job.

The International Court of Justice was asked in 2023 by the International Labour Organisation, a UN agency, to settle an internal dispute over whether one of the ILO's conventions gives workers the right to strike.

Advisory opinions aren't legally binding but carry significant weight. The decision could have a worldwide impact on labour regulations, enshrining the right to strike in labour standards and international trade agreements.

The convention has been ratified by 158 countries and is incorporated into UN labour standards, guidelines from the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development and international trade agreements. The United States is a member of the ILO, but hasn't ratified the convention.

A number of UN agencies can ask the ICJ to weigh in on legal questions and issue advisory opinions. Last year, the court said in a landmark advisory opinion that countries could be in violation of international law, if they fail to take measures to protect the planet from climate change.

Israel begins deporting hundreds of flotilla activists amid EU outcry

TEL AVIV

ISRAEL said on Thursday it had deported all the foreign activists seized by Israeli forces from a Gaza-bound flotilla, following global outcry over their treatment in custody.

More than 430 activists from countries around the world had been placed in detention in Israel after they were intercepted at sea on Monday while making the latest in a string of attempts to break the blockade of the Palestinian territory.

Israel's far-right National Security Minister Itamar Ben Gvir sparked widespread condemnation and diplomatic backlash on Wednesday by posting a video showing the detained activists with their hands tied and foreheads on the ground.

Israel's foreign ministry spokesman, Oren Marmorstein, said on Thursday that "all foreign activists from the PR flotilla have been deported from Israel." "Israel will not permit any breach of the lawful naval blockade on Gaza," he added.

File picture of Israeli naval forces confiscating the Gaza-bound flotilla into Israel's Ashdod port from the the Mediterranean Sea | AP

The legal centre representing the activists said earlier on Thursday that the majority of the flotilla members were "en route for deportation" from Ramon Airport in Israel's far south.

In a statement, Adalah added that the activists had been held at Israel's Ktziot prison, in the Negev Desert near Gaza.

Turkey had announced it was sending planes to Israel to "bring our citizens and participants from third countries to Turkey via special charter flights we will organise today".

Foreign ministry sources said "three flights" with a capacity for "more than 400 passengers" were being sent to Ramon airport.

A spokesman for Adalah said activists from Egypt had been transferred to Taba at Egypt's border with Israel, while those from Jordan had been transferred to Aqaba. *AP*

Air France, Airbus found guilty of manslaughter over 2009 crash

PARIS

A French appeals court Thursday convicted Air France and Airbus of involuntary manslaughter over the 2009 crash of a Rio-Paris flight that killed 228 people, the worst disaster in France's aviation history.

The Paris Court of Appeal ruling was a dramatic reversal of a lower court decision.

The appeal court said that the French flag carrier and Europe's leading aerospace manufacturer were "solely and entirely responsible for the crash of flight AF447", ordering each to pay 225,000 euros ($261,000) -- the maximum fine for corporate manslaughter.

While the penalties are symbolic, the ruling is seen as significant reputational damage for both companies.

Air France and Airbus have consistently denied any criminal liability, blaming pilot error.

The lower court ruling acquitted them in 2023, finding that the companies had made mistakes but could not be proven to have caused the crash.

But on Thursday the presiding judge said the lower court had not taken into account "the existence of the causal chain within which the pilots' actions occurred, and which led to the deaths of all the passengers.

Divers recover the tail section of Air France A330 aircraft that crashed midflight over the Atlantic while flying from Rio de Janeiro to Paris on June 1, 2009| AFP

"The AF447 crash was a disaster waiting to happen -- and one that could have been avoided if each of the companies involved had fully grasped the seriousness of the failure," said Sylvie Madec. Both companies announced they would appeal the ruling.

Air France, announcing its appeal, said it was "aware that this appeal prolongs what has already been a lengthy process, particularly for the families". But it pointed out that Air France's criminal liability had previously been ruled out twice."The legal battle will continue," said Simon Ndiaye, a lawyer for Airbus.

On June 1, 2009, Air France Flight AF447, travelling from Rio de Janeiro to Paris, was cruising over the Atlantic when the pilots lost control of the aircraft, causing it to plunge into the ocean. There were no survivors among the 216 passengers and 12 crew on board.

The appeal court on Thursday held Airbus squarely responsible for several faults, including underestimating the seriousness of problems with sensors and failing to properly inform the crews of operating airlines.

Air France was found guilty of having failed to provide pilot training and to adequately inform flight crews. *AFP*

ASIA MATTERS

INDONESIA

PREZ BATS FOR SAVING NATURAL RESOURCES

Indonesia's President Prabowo Subianto stressed the importance of consistently implementing Article 33 of the 1945 Constitution to prevent the misuse of natural resources and ensure public prosperity. "I want to reaffirm my belief that if we implement Article 33 of the 1945 Constitution properly and consistently, our country will have sufficient resources to ensure Indonesia becomes a prosperous and just nation," he said. He warned that deviations from the national economic framework had caused massive losses to the nation.

MALAYSIA

TIKTOK IN DOCK OVER FAKE AI VIDEO

Malaysia said Thursday it has ordered TikTok to explain and address what it described as the social media platform's failure to act against defamatory and fake content targeting the royal institution, in wake of an AI-generated video claiming association with king Sultan Ibrahim Iskandar.

THAILAND

DISCLOSURE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

Prime Minister Anutin Charnvirakul has ordered all state agencies to fully disclose public information and eliminate unnecessary secrecy as part of a nationwide anti-corruption campaign launched in cooperation with the private sector. After chairing the first integrated public-private meeting on corruption prevention and suppression, Mr Anutin said transparency and accountability were essential to restoring public trust and strengthening Thailand's international credibility. "I have instructed officials to disclose everything," the PM said on Thursday.

EXPRESS READ

Trump postpones signing AI order

WASHINGTON: US President Donald Trump said he had postponed the signing of an executive order on artificial intelligence with top CEOs at the White House on Thursday because he didn't like parts of the text. "Because I didn't like certain aspects of it I postponed it," Trump told reporters in the Oval Office just a few hours before the ceremony was due to happen. "I didn't like what I was seeing."

Germany charges Iran agent for espionage

BERLIN: A man has been charged with espionage and attempted participation in murder after an Iranian intelligence agency tasked him with gathering information on the head of Germany's main Jewish group and three others to carry out attacks, German prosecutors said Thursday. The suspect, a Danish national identified only as Ali S. in line with German privacy rules, was arrested last June in Denmark. Prosecutors alleged that Ali S. worked for Iran's Guards.

MACHINE LEARNING

OpenAI's model cracks 80-year-old geometry puzzle

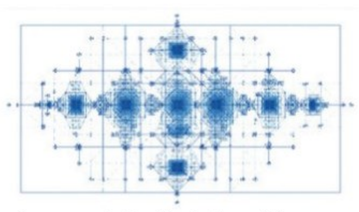
WASHINGTON

IN a big moment for both artificial intelligence and pure mathematics, an internal model developed by OpenAI has solved a famous geometry problem that stumped the world's best mathematicians for nearly eight decades, OpenAI said Thursday.

The puzzle was called planar unit distance problem, first posed by legendary Hungarian mathematician Paul Erdos in 1946. It asks a simple question: if you place a certain number of points on a flat surface, how many pairs of those points can sit one unit of distance apart?

For 80 years, the consensus answer pointed to square grid arrangements. Researchers believed grids were essentially the best way to maximise such pairs, and Erdos himself guessed an upper limit built around that assumption.

OpenAI's model has now blown that belief apart. "For nearly 80 years, mathematicians believed the best possible solutions looked roughly like square grids," OpenAI said in its announcement. "An OpenAI model has now disproved that belief, discovering an entirely new family of constructions that performs better."



A representative illustration of the planar unit distance problem

The AI produced an infinite family of point arrangements that yield a meaningful polynomial improvement over the grid. Princeton mathematician Will Sawin later refined the result, pinning the exponent gain at 0.014 — a number that matters in mathematics.

What makes the proof even more striking is how it got there. The solution reaches into algebraic number theory — a branch concerned with how numbers factor inside extended number systems — to crack what is fundamentally a geometry problem. "The proof brings unexpected, sophisticated ideas from algebraic number theory to bear on an elementary geometric question," OpenAI said. The proof was independently verified by a group of mathematicians. Fields medallist Tim Gowers called it "a milestone in AI math." Princeton number theorist Arul Shankar said: "This demonstrates current AI models can have original ideas, and then carrying them out to fruition." OpenAI described it as "the first time" AI has solved a prominent math problem.

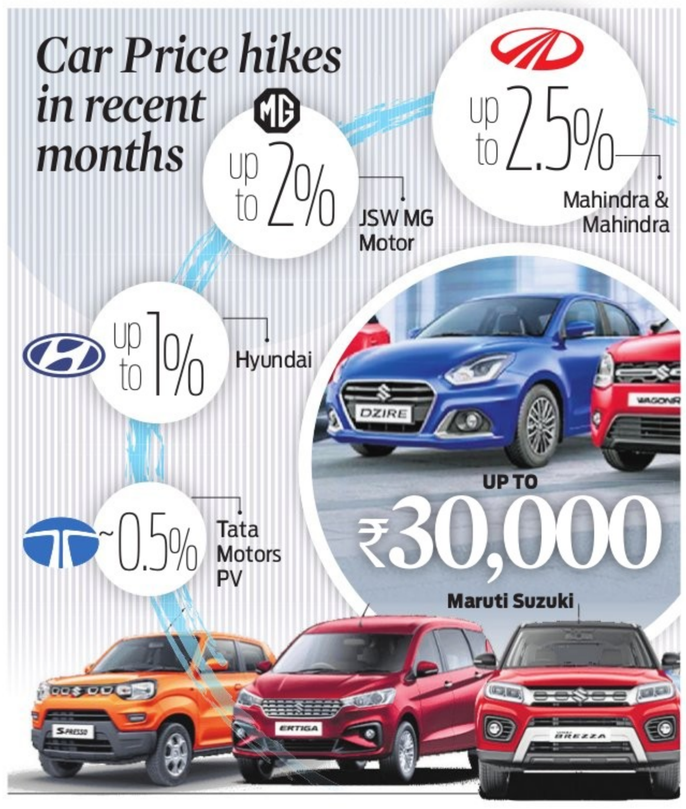
Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD*			SILVER*			FOREX		
135.03 ↓	Sensex	75,183.36	₹490 ↑	24 carat (10 gm)	₹159,930	₹5,000 ↑	1 kg	₹285,000	↓ Dollar	96.19
4.30 ↓	Nifty	23,654.70	₹450 ↑	22 carat (10 gm)	₹146,000	₹50 ↑	10 gm	₹2,850	↓ Euro	111.84

*Delhi Mandi Price

War effect: Car prices shift into overdrive

Maruti hikes prices by up to ₹30,000; joins others like Hyundai, Tata Motors which effected increase of 0.5% to 1%



ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

AS the effect of last year's GST rate cuts comes to an end, and supply chain disruptions increase cost of production, OEMs have started increasing car prices. Maruti Suzuki (MSIL) on Thursday announced that it is increasing prices of its models across its portfolio by up to ₹30,000 from June.

For the past few months, the carmaker said that it has been making continuous efforts to mitigate the cost impact to the extent possible through cost reduction measures.

"However, with inflationary pressures now at elevated levels and the adverse cost environment persisting, the company has to pass on a portion of the increased costs to the market, while continuing to ensure that the impact on customers is kept to the minimum extent possible," said MSIL. The exact quantum of change will vary from model to model.

With this, the country's largest carmaker joins other players that went for a price hike recently due to inflationary pressure. For many automakers, this is their first revision following the GST rate reduction of up to 10% in late September 2025.

According to industry sources, prices of essential commodities such as steel, plastic and other metals surged sharply since early March. Steel, non-ferrous metals and plastic prices have surged between 10% and 30% in the last one year.

Earlier, Hyundai increased the prices of its models by up to 1% from May 2026. The Korean carmakers stated that the escalating input costs have necessitated passing on "a part of this impact through a marginal price revision".

Mahindra & Mahindra went for a steeper hike of up to 2.5% for its internal combustion engine (ICE) SUV and commercial vehicle (CV) range, with an average hike of 1.6% across the portfolio. This price increase came into effect from April 6.

Prior raise

Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles (TMPV) had increased the prices of its cars from April 1. The weighted average increase across its ICE portfolio is around 0.5%, with actual hikes varying by model and variant.

The price hike is a setback for car buyers as it comes at a time when retail fuel prices have also started rising.

Government-owned oil marketing companies (OMCs) hiked the price of petrol and diesel on Tuesday (May 19) by about 90 paise per litre across the country. This was the second increase in five days following the ₹3 upward revision last Friday (May 15) after four years. Analysts say more hike in fuel prices is imminent. The rise in fuel prices is likely to dampen the auto industry's growth rate, which has accelerated since GST rates rationalisation in September 2025.

Piyush Goyal during a ministerial meeting in New Delhi | X/@PIYUSHGOYAL

Govt not planning to restrict imports of non-essentials

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

COMMERCE and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal on Thursday said the government has no immediate plans to impose restrictions on non-essential imports, even as it continues to closely monitor the evolving global economic and geopolitical situation.

Responding to a question on possible curbs on non-essential imports, Goyal said: "No such plans of that sort right now. But we have, of course, made an appeal to all the citizens of India to be more conscious about their spending on products which are import dependent." The remarks come against the backdrop of heightened geopolitical tensions in West Asia, which have triggered significant volatility in global crude oil markets and international shipping routes.

As a major importer of crude oil, India remains vulnerable to elevated energy prices and supply-side disruptions, which can increase the import bill and put pressure on inflation as well as the current account deficit.

Commenting on measures being considered to address the widening CAD, Goyal said: "We are monitoring the situation. All the various arms of the government are working as a team. Several steps are under consideration. The situation is globally quite challenging."

His comments also come amid growing concerns over India's rising import bill, particularly due to elevated crude oil and gold prices following the West Asia crisis.

While the government has not announced restrictions on imports other than precious metals such as gold, silver and platinum, Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently appealed to citizens to reduce purchases of imported goods, especially gold, and focus more on domestic products to strengthen the economy and promote self-reliance.

The government recently increased the import duty on gold and silver from 6% to 15%, while the duty on platinum was raised from 6.4% to 15.4%. Consequential changes were also made to duties on related items such as gold and silver dore, coins and findings.

The hike in import duty on precious metals is aimed at prioritising India's foreign exchange reserves for essential imports.

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EXPANSION

JSW Motors secures ₹8K cr SBI funding

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

JSW Motors Limited said on Thursday that it has secured a long-term project finance of about ₹8,000 crore from State Bank of India (SBI) with a long-term tenure to support the development of the New Energy Vehicle (NEV) venture. The financing will partly fund JSW Motor's greenfield manufacturing facility at Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar, Maharashtra.

"This investment reflects our long-term commitment towards building future-ready mobility solutions in India, aligned with the country's clean mobility. At JSW Motors, our focus is on creating a strong presence in the new energy passenger vehicle segment (NEV) including PHEVs and REEVs, followed by a phased expansion of our portfolio across segments and powertrains," said a company spokesperson.

As per reports, JSW's Maharashtra is being developed with an annual installed capacity of 3.5 lakh vehicles. It is also setting up a battery assembly facility in Pune to support its electric and new-energy powertrain vehicles. JSW also has a partnership with China's SAIC Motor which manufactures and sells JSW MG Motor-branded cars in India. It stated that it is progressing as per plan on the development of its manufacturing footprint and product roadmap. "Our upcoming facility in Maharashtra will bring this plan to life as a next-generation manufacturing ecosystem built for scale, agility, and future of mobility," said the company.

NEW PRICING RULES FOR IPOs, RE-LISTED STOCKS PROPOSED

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

AIMED at improving price discovery and reducing extreme volatility after listing, market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) has proposed key changes to the way opening prices are determined for IPO and re-listed stocks.

In a consultation paper issued on Thursday, Sebi said the move is expected to improve price discovery while reducing order rejections and extreme volatility after listing. The regulator has proposed a new mechanism for determining the base price of re-listed stocks. If the revocation of suspension takes place within six months, stock exchanges will first use the latest traded closing price on the same exchange.

If that is unavailable, they may use the latest traded price from another exchange. If no recent traded price is available, the base price will be determined using valuation reports from two independent chartered accountants or valuation agencies.

Under the current system, if a company has remained suspended for over a year, the opening base price is often determined using face value or outdated book value. In many cases, this results in stocks reopening at around ₹10 even when the actual or book value is significantly higher.

Sebi has also proposed changes to the dummy price band system used during the pre-open auction session. These temporary price ranges are designed to prevent erroneous orders and reduce market manipulation.

At present, exchanges manually widen these price bands under certain conditions. However, Sebi noted that this process can delay price discovery and lead to rejection of genuine orders.

Under the new proposal, the dummy price bands would automatically expand by 10% whenever the indicative equilibrium price approaches the upper or lower limit.

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'Bulk buyers at retail pumps creating fuel crisis'

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

THE Union government denied reports of fuel shortage in several parts of the country, stating that panic buying at a few fuel outlets is due to bulk consumers increasingly purchasing from retail outlets and rising diesel demand during the harvesting season.

According to Sujata Sharma, Joint Secretary in the Petroleum Ministry, many bulk users such as industrial consumers and transport operators are shifting to retail fuel stations due to lower prices at retail pumps. However, she maintained that there is no shortage of petrol, diesel, or liquified petroleum gas (LPG) supply in the country. "Fuel demand has gone up in some regions, driven by the agricultural season, a shift of bulk diesel to retail supply," Sharma said.

She also said that private oil marketing companies have increased fuel prices at their retail outlets, which is prompting consumers to shift towards state-owned oil marketing companies.

Currently, bulk diesel is priced at around ₹149 per litre, while retail diesel costs about ₹91 per litre in the national capital. According to official data, bulk diesel accounts for nearly 12% of the country's total diesel consumption. In FY26, India's diesel consumption stood at 94.7 million tonnes. Meanwhile, several petrol pumps across the country reportedly witnessed fuel dry-outs, with consumers sharing complaints on social media platforms. According to reports, the situation was severe in parts of Gujarat, where farmers and truck drivers have struggled for days to secure diesel supplies. Similar situations were reported in parts of Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand, and other states.

PANIC BUY

1. Diesel consumption was 94.7 mn tonnes in FY26
2. Currently, bulk diesel is priced at ₹149 per litre

Consumers reported either inadequate fuel availability at pumps or restrictions on purchases beyond a certain quantity. According to a petrol pump association in Rajasthan, fuel stations are receiving supplies below their demand requirements. The association said dealers have requested higher fuel allocations from oil marketing companies but are not receiving adequate supplies.

Meanwhile, Indian Oil Corporation, which operates the largest network of petrol pumps in the country, said that IndianOil has not issued any instructions regarding fuel rationing at retail outlets and that supply operations continue smoothly across India.

"The recent increase in demand is driven by higher diesel consumption during the harvesting season. Additional demand pressure has also emerged due to a shift of customers to IndianOil retail outlets owing to comparatively lower prices than private retailers, along with a visible shift of institutional and commercial consumers to retail fuel outlets," the company said.

STRONG MOVE

INR rebounds strongly; gains 49p to 96.43/$

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

AFTER bleeding for nine consecutive days, the rupee made a smart recovery on Thursday and closed the session with a gain of 49 paise from the all-time low to settle at 96.37. But the one-year forward premium on the rupee rose 380 bps or 100.17 a dollar.

The gain was partly due to the news emanating from the US that Washington was keen to conclude the negotiations with Tehran within days.

On Wednesday, the one-year forward market rate for the rupee touched the crucial 100 for a dollar, indicating that the market is pricing further weakness for the rupee over the next 12 months, forex traders said.

Dilip Parmar, HDFC Securities analyst, said a prolonged geopolitical tension and sustained elevated crude prices could push it closer to the psychological 98-to-a-dollar mark in the coming months.

Explaining the several country/rupee-specific vulnerabilities, he said we import over 85% of oil requirements. This has trade deficit widening to $28.4 billion in April. Another reason is the interest rate differential which is draining FPI outflows from equities and adding a geopolitical risk premium on top.

"This toxic combination of a wide CAD, capital outflows, and a narrowing interest rate spread has made the rupee an underperformer among its Asian peers," he added.

He added beyond the standard demand-supply dynamics, the rupee has entered a self-reinforcing cycle.

EXPRESS READ

Bosch faces rising freight, logistics costs

BENGALURU: Bosch said rising tensions in West Asia are increasing freight, logistics and insurance costs for its India operations, though crisis has not impacted direct disruption to its supply chains. The officials said the wider geopolitical situation, global trade uncertainty and currency pressures, had created a difficult operating environment.

India's peak power demand hits 270.82 GW

NEW DELHI: India's peak power demand touched a record high of 270.82 GW on Thursday, surpassing the Power Ministry's projection for the year, as soaring temperatures across the country pushed up electricity consumption. The ministry said that the peak power demand of 270.82 GW was successfully met at 15:45 hours on May 21.

Q4 RESULTS FY26

LIC profit rises 23% to ₹23,467 cr

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

LIFE Insurance Corporation has reported an over 23% on-year growth in net profit at ₹23,467 crore for the March quarter, buoyed by better operational metrics and stronger business growth, taking the annual profit to ₹57,419 crore that rose 19% on-year.

The insurer also announced a dividend of ₹10 share apart from the recently announced 1:1 bonus share issue for which it fixed the record date of May 29, which would effectively mean a shareholder will net in ₹20 as the bonus share issue double the number of share in the hands of the shareholder.

CEO R Doraiswamy told reporters in a concall Thursday that total income in the reporting quarter rose to ₹2,53,592 crore from ₹2,22,805 crore, while income from first-year premium improved to ₹12,970 crore from ₹11,069 crore and income from renewal premium increased to ₹81,933 crore from ₹79,138 crore a year ago.

For the full fiscal, the insurer earned a profit of ₹57,419 crore up 19% over ₹48,151 crore in the previous fiscal year from a total income of ₹9,73,288 crore as against ₹8,84,148 crore.

The main reasons for the huge spike in net income is the higher margin from new business premium rose to 21.2%, up from 17.6% and the a significant decline in the expense ratio which declined to 51 bps to 11.91 from 12.42 a year ago. Doraiswamy said the key solvency ratio improved to 2.35 in the quarter from 2.11 a year ago and 2.19 in the previous quarter. But the 13th-month persistency ratio inched down to 67.77 from 68.62 a year-ago and from 69.36 in the December quarter.

Assets under management rose 5.1% on-year to ₹57.3 trillion, while the value of new business surged 41.63% to ₹14,179 crore in the quarter.

ITC reports 5% rise in profit on cigarette price revision

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

ITC Ltd on Thursday reported a 5% year-on-year rise in its standalone net profit too ₹5,113 crore for the March quarter FY26 against ₹4,875 crore during the same period last year, driven by price increase in its core cigarettes business to limit the impact of higher taxes.

The company's revenue from operations increased 17% year-on-year (YoY) to Rs 21,695 crore in the reported quarter.

ITC, the maker of Gold Flake and Classic cigarettes, said that an increase in GST rate from 28% of transaction value to 40% of retail sale price along with a steep hike in excise duties with effect from February 1 upon phasing out of compensation cess, has resulted in an unprecedented increase in tax incidence on cigarettes.

The ITC added that it has adopted a strategic approach to mitigate the impact of the unprecedented increase in tax incidence and sustain its market standing. The company reported cigarette revenue of ₹11,066 crore in Q4 FY26, compared with ₹8,400 crore in the January-March quarter of the previous year.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Ministry of Railways
(South Western Railway, Mysuru Division, Mysuru)
Notification

Under Section 20(A) of the Railways Act, 1989 (Act 24 of 1989), the Central Government has issued this notification stating its intention to acquire land for a public purpose, namely for the construction of an R.U.B. by closing Railway Gate No. 67 located between Ammasandra-Banasandra railway stations (Km. 114/300-400), in the survey numbers of D. Hosahalli, Heggare, and Lingapura villages under the Special Railway Project.

Any interested persons having objections regarding the said land acquisition must submit their objections to this office within 30 days from the date of publication of this notification, in accordance with Section 20D(1) of the Railways Act, 1989. Objections received after this period will be rejected without any further notice.

Such objections relating to the construction of the R.U.B. by closing Railway Gate No. 67 between Ammasandra - Banasandra railway stations (Km. 114/300-400), in the survey numbers of D. Hosahalli, Heggare, and Lingapura villages, shall be submitted either personally or through an advocate to the Competent Authority and Special Land Acquisition Officer, Tumakuru-Rayadurga, Tumakuru-Davanagere, and Special Railway Project, Tumakuru. The objections will then be heard and further action will be taken accordingly.

SCHEDULE

The details of the land related to the construction of the R.U.B. by closing Railway Gate No. 67 between Ammasandra-Banasandra railway stations (Km. 114/300-400), in the survey numbers of D. Hosahalli, Heggare, and Lingapura villages, are as follows.

DISTRICT : TUMAKURU TALUK : TURUVEKRE HOBLI : DANDINASHIVARA VILLAGE: D.HOSAHALLI

Sl No	Sy No	Registered Owner's Name	Acquired Extent (In Acres-Guntas)				Classification of land	Remark
			Total	A Kharab	B Kharab	Balance		
1	13/2	H.T. Murthy S/O Thimmappa H.T. Manjunatha S/O Thimmappa, H.T. Nanjundaiah S/O Thimmappa	0-01	--	--	0-01	Dry	--
2	23/6	Kempegowda S/O Kempegowda	0-01 1/4	--	--	0-01 1/4	Dry	--
3	23/8	Pappanna S/O Thimmegowda	0-01	--	--	0-01	Dry	RTC has not been digitized
4	5/1	H.S. Honnappa S/O Shivananjaiah (shivananjappa)	0-01	--	--	0-01	Dry	--
5	7/5	H.M. Nataraju S/O H.N. Marikempaiah	0-03	--	--	0-03	Dry	--
6	7/4	Yashodamma H.C. W/O Devaraju N.S.	0-01 1/2	--	--	0-01 1/2	Dry	--
7	6/1	Vanajakshi K.V. W/O Sunil Kumar S.A	0-04 1/2	--	--	0-04 1/2	Dry	--
8	6/7	Prasanna Kumar S/O Late Nanjundaiah	0-04 1/2	--	--	0-04 1/2	Dry	--
9	26	Thimmappagowda S/O Narasegowda	0-01 1/4	--	--	0-01 1/4	Dry	--
10	49/5	Y. Honnaiah S/O Yalakkigowda	0-01 1/2	--	--	0-01 1/2	Dry	--
11	49/6	Nanjappa S/O Yallakkigowda	0-01 1/4	--	--	0-01 1/4	Dry	--
12	49/4	H.T. Venkategowda S/O H. Thimmappagowda	0-01 1/2	--	--	0-01 1/2	Dry	--
		Total	**0-23 1/4**	**--**	**--**	**0-23 1/4**	**-**	**--**

EXTRACT			
Dry	A-Kharab	B-Kharab	Total
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DISTRICT : TUMAKURU TALUK : TURUVEKERE HOBLI : KASABA VILLAGE: HEGGERE

Sl No	Sy No	RTC Holders Names	Acquired Extent (In Acres-Guntas)				Classification of land	Remark
			Total	A Kharab	B Kharab	Balance		
1	72/4	H.T. Gangadharaiah S/O H.K. Narasegowda	0-00 1/2	--	--	0-00 1/2	Dry	--
2	72/5	H.T. Gangadharaiah S/O H.K. Narasegowda	0-10	--	--	0-10	Dry	--
		Total	**0-10 1/2**	**--**	**--**	**0-10 1/2**	**--**	**--**

EXTRACT			
Dry	A-Kharab	B-Kharab	Total
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DISTRICT : TUMAKURU TALUK : TURUVEKERE HOBLI :KASABA VILLAGE: LINGAPURA

Sl No	Sy No	RTC Holders Names	Acquired Extent (In Acres-Guntas)				Classification of land	Remark
			Total	A Kharab	B Kharab	Balance		
1	34/2	Thimmappa S/O Rangegowda	0-06	--	--	0-06	Garden	--
		Total	**0-06**	**--**	**--**	**0-06**	**--**	**--**

EXTRACT			
Dry	A-Kharab	B-Kharab	Total
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SOUTHERN RAILWAY

NOTE

TENDER NOTICE.No. SR-TVC0SnT (TEND)/3/2026/05,
Dated: 19.05.2026

Senior Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer, Southern Railway, Thiruvananthapuram-14 for and on behalf of The President of India invites e-tenders for the following works.

Sl.No	Tender No.	Name of work
1	TVC-SNT-SIG-26-27-02	Provision of Aspiration type smoke detector at selected stations in TVC Division.

Sl.No	Cash Value (Approx.) (₹.Ps)	Earnest Money Deposit (₹.)	Last Date for Receipt of Tender	Completion period
1	1,47,23,946.08	2,94,500.00	10.06.2026 up to 15.00 Hrs	06 months

Complete details & tender document will be available at www.ireps.gov.in

Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer/TVC.

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. CEE/Tr(OP)ZM/SEE(O)/AEE-1/2026-27/1132 **Date: 15.05.2026**

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPP Portal only)

KPTCL invites tenders for the following works on **Partial Turnkey Basis.**

1) Augmentation of 1x6.3MVA Power Transformer by 1x12.5MVA Power Transformer at 66/11kV **Arakere** sub-station in SR Pattana Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 50. **Category:** OTHERS.

2) Replacement of 2x8MVA Power Transformers by 2x20MVA Power Transformers in **V.C. Farm** sub-station in Mandya Taluk and District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 55. **Category:** OTHERS.

3) Replacement of 1x8 MVA Power Transformer by 1x20MVA Power Transformer at **Haradanahalli** 66/11kV sub-station in Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 44. **Category:** OTHERS.

4) Replacement of 1X8 MVA Power Transformer by 1x20 MVA Power Transformer at 66/11kV **Adichunchanagiri (A.C. Giri)** sub-station in Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 60. **Category:** OTHERS.

5) Replacement of 1X8 MVA Power Transformer by 1X20 MVA Power Transformer at 66/11kV **Chinakurali** sub-station in Panadavapura Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 47. **Category:** OTHERS.

6) Replacement of 1x8MVA Power Transformer by 1x20MVA Power Transformer at 66/11 KV **Ganjigere** sub-station in KR Pete Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 63. **Category:** OTHERS.

7) Replacement of 1x6.3MVA 66/11kV Power Transformer by 1x12.5MVA 66/11kV Power Transformer at 220/ 66/11kV **Tubinakere** sub-station in Mandya Taluk and District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 58. **Category:** OTHERS.

8) Replacement of 1X8 MVA Power Transformer by 1x20 MVA Power Transformer at 66/11kV **Anegola** sub-station in K.R. Pete Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 49. **Category:** OTHERS.

9) Augmentation of 1x6.3MVA and 1x12.5MVA Power Transformer by 2x20MVA Power Transformers at 66/11kV **Belagola** sub-station in Srirangapattana Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 59. **Category:** OTHERS.

10) Replacement of 1x8MVA 66/11kV Power Transformer-2 by 1x20MVA 66/11kV Power Transformer in 66/11kV **Doddabyadarahalli** sub-station in Pandavapura Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 45. **Category:** OTHERS.

11) Replacement of 1x8MVA Power Transformer by 1x20MVA Power Transformer in 66/11kV **Kolakaranadoddi** sub-station in Mandya Taluk and District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 64. **Category:** OTHERS.

12) Replacement of 2x12.5MVA Power Transformers by 2x20MVA Power Transformers at 66/11kV **BG Nagara** sub-station in Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-4**. **Roster No.** 36. **Category:** OTHERS.

13) Replacement of 1x12.5MVA 66/11kV Power Transformer by 1x20MVA 66/11kV Transformer at 66/11kV **KM Doddi** sub-station in Madduru Taluk Mandya District **Call-4**. **Category:** OTHERS.

14) Replacement of 2x12.5MVA Power Transformers-1&2 by 2x20MVA Power Transformers at 66/11KV **Addihalli** sub-station in Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District. **Call-3**. **Roster No.** 46. **Category:** SC.

For all the above works including supply of all matching materials/equipments (except 66/11kV Power Transformer and 11kV switchgear) and erection & including civil works of all materials/equipments, testing and commissioning.

The tender for the above work is invited through electronic mode. The interested bidders can obtain the application in electronic mode by paying the tender fee. The detailed notification regarding above said enquiry in the e-tendering process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink "E Procurement KPTCL" OR **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **20.05.2026.** More details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- **Chief Engineer (Electy.), Transmission (Operations) Zone, KPTCL, Prasarana Bhavana, Ground Floor, FTS Compound, N.R. Mohalla, Mysuru.**

LOST OF DOCUMENTS

I **Hassan Sona Rai** Lost Original Gift Deed, mother deed and other supportive documents of my property #24, VP khatha #115, BBMP khatha #42/24/57/42 House list #137, HV Halli, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore - 560098. If anyone find these documents please inform to nearest Police station or contact us on 9845375233.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Arjunan Rukmangadhan S/o. Late. A. Dhanalakshmi & Late. Chinnaswamy Arjunan is the absolute owner of the vacant immovable residential property bearing Sites No. 112 & 113, Khata No. 1127113/89, measuring East West 80 feet, North to South 60 feet, totally measuring 4800 sq. feet, formed in Survey No. 89, which is duly converted for Non-agricultural residential purpose by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, at Bangalore, vide Official Memorandum bearing No.ALN/SR(S):202/1991-92 dated 26.11.1991, the property is situated at Doddakallasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore presently comes within the limits of Greater Bengaluru Authority.

This property has purchased by my client mother **Smt A. Dhanalakshmi** W/o. Late. Chinnaswamy Arjunan, from Sri. Pillappa, Beerappa, Akkayamma, Rathnamma, Ravi Kumar, Muniraju, Basavaraju, Nagaraja & Janardhana all are represented by their GPA Holder Sri. K.B. Lakshman S/o. N.Beerappa under the Sale deed dated 17.02.1992, registered vide document No.9368/1991-92, in the office of sub registrar, at Kengeri, Bengaluru. Since then the property is absolutely owned by my client mother Smt. A. Dhanalakshmi in her possession until her death. Smt A Dhanalakshmi died on 06.02.2007 leaving behind his son Arjunan Rukmangadhan as her legal heir.

The above stated original sale deed dated 17.02.1992, Document No.9368/1991-92, have been lost in transit while taking Xerox from the Xerox shop on 11.05.2026. The Police complaint is preferred with the Konanakunte Police station, Bengaluru South through online complaint as per lost Article Report No. 2213496/2026 dated 20.05.2026 in this regard.

The public are hereby cautioned that possession of the said document by any person will be deemed unauthorized and such person is requested to return the same to my client or police station. This document has never been voluntarily parted with by my client nor has been offered as security to repay any loan to anybody or institution. Public is hereby cautioned against entering into any transaction with any one on the strength of this document, as will be viewed as criminal interference with the rights of my client and my client will not be bounded by such transactions.

MANJU .H.M, Advocate
Office No.8,1st Floor, Shanthi Islamia Complex, Opposite Ganapathi Temple, Kaggalipura, Kanakapura Road, Bengaluru-560082.
Mobile No. 9008005377

PUBLIC NOTICE

Under instructions from and on behalf of my clients namely Sri Srinivasamurthy K S/o Krishnamurthy, Smt. Manjula K D/o Krishnamurthy, Usha Devi D/o Krishnamurthy and Sri Raghavendra K S/o Krishnamurthy, I hereby inform the public in general that my clients are the absolute owners and in lawful possession and enjoyment of the below-mentioned property.

The schedule property originally belonged to Late L. Gangaram Prasad, the great-grandfather of my clients. The said Late L. Gangaram Prasad had purchased the schedule property from one Sri M.D. Tulsi Ram under a registered Sale Deed dated 09.02.1953, registered as Document No.4067, Book No.I, Volume No.1247, Pages 21 to 215, before the Bangalore City Sub-Registrar.

The aforesaid original title documents were in my clients' custody until 05.05.2026. Unfortunately, the original documents, including the Sale Deed dated 09.02.1953, were lost in transit from Magadi Road to Majestic, Bengaluru.

Immediately after noticing the loss of the original documents, my clients approached the jurisdictional police authorities and informed about the loss of the original title deeds. The police authorities advised my clients to register the complaint through the E-Lost Portal. Accordingly, my clients have registered the complaint on 19.05.2026 vide SL.No.2210784 and E-Lost Report No.2210784/2026.

Hence, the general public and all concerned are hereby cautioned and informed that if any person/s find the above-mentioned original documents, they are requested to hand over the same to the undersigned at the address below within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice.

Further, if any person/s deal with the said documents in any manner, the same shall be at their own risk, cost and consequences.

Schedule Property:

No.12, Kempapura Agrahara, Magadi Road, Bangalore-560023, measuring East to West towards Northern portion 69 feet towards South 66 feet and North to South 30 feet, Vacant site and consisting of RCC roofed house bounded on :- East by : Road, West by : Oni, North by : Narayanappa' property, South by : Conservancy lane.

Nagaraj D, Advocate
No.117, 3rd Cross, Canara Bank Colony, Off. Nagarbhavi Main Road, Bangalore - 560072.
Mob. : 9449011860

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India

Bhuvaneshwarinagar Branch (56490)
No.70/71, Hebbal, Bhuvaneshwarinagar, Dasarahalli Village Road, Bengaluru-560024.
Phone : +91-8369356490, Email ID: ubin0556491@unionbankofindia.bank.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

The undersigned, being the Authorized Officer of Union Bank of India, Bhuvaneshwarinagar Branch, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002), and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, had issued a The undersigned, being the Authorized Officer of **Union Bank of India, Bhuvaneshwarinagar Branch,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002), and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, had issued separate Demand Notices in respect of the below-mentioned accounts.

Since the Borrowers have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the properties described herein below, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, on the dates mentioned below.

1. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers: (a) Mr. Thomas Daniel Francis S/o Ganaprakash Thomas, No.18, 2nd Cross, Dobbespet, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru-560001. **Alternate Address :** Flat No. 301, Al Yasmina Investment, Sharjah, P O Box-25137. **(b) Mr.T Stephen Raj (Co-Applicant)** S/o G Thomas, No.25/4, Marappa Garden, J C Nagar, VTC, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560006. **Alternate Address :** No.18, 2nd Cross, Dobbespet, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru-560001.

Demand notice dated : 11.02.2026 Possession Notice Date : 18.05.2026

Total Amount mentioned in the Notice : Rs.1,68,87,762.00 (Rupees One Crore Sixty Eight Lakh Eighty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Two Only) and interest thereon.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY :

Mortgage of immovable property described herein below:

Property No. 1: SCHEDULE 'A' : All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property Khaneshumari No. 169, House List No. 26, 27 & 28, Katha No. 240, 243 & 241 (Old No. 472, situated at Yelachenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, presently comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP, and bounded on the: East by : Road, West by : Private Layout, North by : Private Property, South by : Layout of Jayanagar Co-operative Society. Measuring East to West: 100 feet, and North to South: 182 feet, totally measuring 18,200 Square Feet.

SCHEDULE 'B' : Flat bearing No. A-105, in First Floor, 'A' Block, having Two Bedrooms, having 1188 Square feet of super built up area in an apartment known as "GARUDADRI SPRINGS" along with 379 Square Feet of Undivided share in Schedule "A" Property and along with Car Parking Space. East by : Flat No. A-106, West by : Flat No. A-104, North by : Area Open to Sky, South by : Common Corridor and Staircase Area.

Property No. 2: SCHEDULE 'A' : All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property Khaneshumari No. 169, House List No. 26, 27 & 28, Katha No. 240, 243 & 241 (Old No. 472, situated at Yelachenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, presently comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP, and bounded on the: East by : Road, West by : Private Layout, North by : Private Property, South by : Layout of Jayanagar Co-operative Society. Measuring East to West: 100 feet, and North to South: 182 feet, totally measuring 18,200 Square Feet.

SCHEDULE 'B' : Flat bearing No. B-205, in Second Floor, 'B' Block, having Two Bedrooms, having 1188 Square feet of super built up area in an apartment known as "GARUDADRI SPRINGS" along with 379 Square Feet of Undivided share in Schedule "A" Property and along with Car Parking Space. East by : Flat No. B-206, West by : Flat No. B-204, North by : Area Open to Sky, South by : Common Corridor and Staircase Area.

2. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers: (a) Mrs. Shifa Fathima alias Vijayalakshmi Bommanahalli Lokesh Represented by her General Power of Attorney Holder Ms. Geetha B L W/o Sameer D/o Lokesh Bommanahalli Siddappa, No.E 133/1, 1st Main Road, 5th Main Road, Andrahalli Main Road, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560091. **Alternate Address :** Residential Flat, 3rd Floor, Site No.25, Khatha No.1389/1266/92/25, 2nd Cross Road, Sharada Nagar, Uttarahalli Main Road, Vasantapura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru 560062. **(b) Ms. B L Geetha (Co-Applicant and POA holder of Mrs. Shifa Fathima)** D/o Lokesh Bommanahalli Siddappa, **(c) Mrs. Sharadamma (Guarantor)** W/o Lokesh Bommanahalli Siddappa, **Both are residing at :** No.253, Near Telephone Exchange, Janata Colony, Deluxe Road Line, Old Gate, Dasanapura Hobli, Madanaiyakanahalli, Madavara, Bengaluru-562123.

Demand notice dated : 02.01.2026 Possession Notice Date : 18.05.2026

Total Amount mentioned in the Notice : Rs.2,53,27,955/- (Rupees Two Crore Fifty Three Lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Five Only) and interest thereon.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY :

Mortgage of immovable property described herein below:

SCHEDULE-A : All that piece and parcel of Residential property bearing Site No. 25, bearing Khatha No. 1389/1266/92/25 measuring East to West on Northern Side 54.0 Feet and Southern 60.0 Feet and North to South 42 feet in all 2394 Sq. Ft, situated at Sharadha Nagar, Vasanthapura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, presently under administration of BBMP and bounded on the: East by : Sharadamma's Property, West by : 40 Feet Road, North by : Chowdappa's Property, South by : Lingaraju's Property.

SCHEDULE-B : 3 BHK Residential Units/House situated on the Third Floor, constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property with a super built up area of 1800 Sq. Ft, with 520 sq ft of undivided share of land, including proportionate share in the common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, stair cases and other areas of common use, with one closed car parking area/space in Ground Floor.

3. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers: (a) Late Mr. Y R Manjunatha Alias Manjunath R S/o Late Ramaiah **(Since deceased represented by his legal heirs known to bank) (i) Mr. Venkatesh Prasad Y M** S/o Late Mr. Y R Manjunatha Alias Manjunath R, **(ii) Mr. Y M Ram Prasad** S/o Late Mr. Y R Manjunatha Alias Manjunath R, **Both are residing at :** No. 115, 10th Main Road, 2nd Cross, Near Purvankara Apartment, Attur Layout, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560064.

Demand notice dated : 06.02.2026 Possession Notice Date : 18.05.2026

Total Amount mentioned in the Notice : Rs.36,62,028/- (Rupees Thirty Six Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Twenty Eight Only) and interest thereon.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY :

Mortgage of immovable property described herein below:

All that piece and parcel of the southern portion of the Residential property bearing No. 115, BBMP Khatha No. 765/33/115, formed in Sy No. 33, measuring East to West : 40 Feet and North to South : 15 feet admeasuring 600 Sq. Ft, situated at Atturu Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru and the bounded on the: East by : Road, West by : Site No. 126, North by : North Portion of Site No. 115, South by : Road.

The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, Bhuvaneshwarinagar Branch,** for the amount mentioned against their names with further interest accrued thereon cost.

The Borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 18.05.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Union Bank of India**

Karnataka Bank Ltd.

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Asset Recovery Management Branch,
Karnataka Bank Building, First Floor, Ward No.29,
Maraluru Extension, Sadashivanagar, Tumakuru-572105
Phone: 0816-2294905/2294906
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Website: www.karnatakabank.bank.in
CIN: L85110KA1924PLC001128

MEGA E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 17.06.2026

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s), Guarantor(s), Mortgagor(s) & Co-obligant(s) that the below described immovable property/ies mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", "Whatever there is" on 17.06.2026** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest, penal charges and costs thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **16.06.2026 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.,**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrower/s/Mortgagor/s/Guarantor/s/ Co-Obligant/s Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + penal charges & Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Incremental Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) M/s Ramco Concrete Block, Represented by its Partners: 1) Mrs.Pavithra T. 2) Mr.Somashekar. Addressed at:** Sy.No.178, Machohalli, Bengaluru-560091. **(2) Mrs.Pavithra T,** W/o Mr.Somashekar, No.14/14, Topaiah Building, 1st Main, Near Gurupriya Kalyana Mantap, Karekallu, Kamakshipalya, Bengaluru-560079 **(3) Mr. Somashekar** S/o Mr.Channappa, Flat No.G1,Ground Floor, "Deccan Paradise", 3rd Stage, 4th Block, 8th Main Road, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangaluru-560079 **(4) Mr.Thope Gowda K H** S/o Hanumanthaiah, 14/14,Topaiah Building, 1st Main, Near Gurupriya Kalyana Mantap, Karekallu, Kamakshipalya, Bengaluru-560079 **Loan A/c No.: PS-Overdraft A/c 5577000600002301**	**Rs.2,30,45,112.23 [Rupees Two Crore Thirty Lakh Forty Five Thousand One Hundred Twelve and Paisa Twenty Three Only], Future Interest from 01.11.2025 + Penal Charges & Costs.**	**04.09.2025 & Constructive**	**Item No.1 :** All that part and parcel of residential **Flat bearing No.G1,** situated in the ground floor of the apartment building known as **"Deccan Paradise",** having SBA of **1150 Sq.ft,** together with one covered car parking space and undivided share in land to an extent of 1/16th portion (405 Sq.ft) in the total extent of land measuring **6480 Sq.ft,** situated in BDA Site No.14, in the portion of land bearing Survey /Assessment No.82/2, Saneguruvanahalli Village, Yashwanthapur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk currently bearing PID No.101-W0002-65, at 3rd stage, 4th Block, West of Chord Road, BBMP Ward No.18, Bengaluru belonging to **Mr.Somashekar. Bounded By: East:** Open to sky, **West:** Corridor & Lift, **North:** Open to sky, **South:** Flat No.G3.	**Rs. 86,05,500/- (Rupees Eighty Six Lakh Five Thousand Five Hundred Only)**	**Rs. 8,60,550/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Sixty Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Only)**	**10.20 AM to 10.35 AM**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Nelamangala Branch A/c No: 5573500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000557**
				Item No.2: All that part and parcel of the residential property bearing **Site No.5, Khaneshmari No.28/7/5, measuring 2,407 Sq.ft** situated at ward No.12, Near Hippe Anjaneya Layout, Nelamangala Town Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, together with building constructed thereon. **Bounded By: East:** Road, **West:** Site No.6, **North:** Road, **South:** Private Land.	**Rs. 1,26,48,000/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Six Lakh Forty Eight Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 12,64,800/- (Rupees Twelve Lakh Sixty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Only)**	**10.40 AM to 10.55 AM**		
				Item No.3: All that part and parcel of the residential property bearing **No.22, Kannalli Village Katha No.252, Assessment Old No.113, Present No.113/1, E Property ID No.150200400501100435 1,** with land measuring1200 Sq.ft situated at kodigehalli Village Panchayath Limits, Kannalli Village , Yashwanthapur Hobli, Bengaluru, together with building constructed thereon belonging to **Mr.Thopegowda K H and Pavithra. Bounded By: East:** Site No.23, **West:** Site No.21, **North:** Site No.25, **South:** Road.	**Rs. 79,09,000/- (Rupees Seventy Nine Lakh Nine Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 7,90,900/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred Only)**	**11.00 AM to 11.15 AM**		
2	**(1) Mr.Shivalingaiah S.C.,** S/o Mr. Chikkathamme Gowda, Singarajpura, Virupakshipura Hobli, Channapatna, Ramanagara District-562160. **(2) Mr.Ramakrishna M.,** S/o Mr.Manche Gowda, Huchyana Doddi, Kodamballi Post, Channaptna, Ramanagara District-562160 . **Loan A/c Nos.: PS Suit filed A/c No.1437001600068901**	**Rs.6,934.00/- [Rupees Six Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Four Only] + Future Interest from 18.05.2018 + costs.**	**02.12.2020 Constructive**	All that part and parcel of the Residential property bearing old khaneshumari No.70/63, New Khaneshumari No.95/76 with land measuring 1638 Sq.ft situated at Singarajipura Village , Singarajipura Grama Panchayath, Virupakshipura Hobli, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara District, belonging to Mr. Shivalingaiah S C. Bounded by : East :Raja Beedi / Govt. Road. West :Vacant Site of Chanamma. North : Vacant Site of Krishnamurthy. South : Property of Shivalingaiah.	**Rs.6,24,000/- (RupeesSixLakh TwentyFour Thousand Only).**	**Rs.62,400/- (RupeesSixty TwoThousand FourHundred Only)**	**11.45 AM to 12.00 PM**	**Rs. 20,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch : Channapatna A/c No: 1433500200004101 IFSC Code : KARB0000143**

(The Borrower/s/Mortgagor/s/Guarantor/s/ Co-Obligant/s attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).

This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule 8 / Sub Rule (1) of Rule 9 of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors)

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. www.karnatakabank.bank.in

The E-auction will be conducted through portal https://www.auctionbazaar.com/ on **17.06.2026 at above mentioned time** with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **https://www.auctionbazaar.com/** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **16.06.2026)** from **M/s ARCA EMART PVT LTD** (Known by their **website: www.auctionbazaar.com**) **Contact No. : 8885035382**, E-mail : **contact@auctionbazaar.com and disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date : 19.05.2026 **Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer,**
Place: Tumakuru **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the general public that the original Sale Agreement bearing No. BSK-6474/2019-20, dated 17-08-2019, pertaining to Unit No. 19.06.04, Tower No.19, Building No.2, 6th Floor, 2BHK with One Covered Car Park having Carpet Area of 42.76 Sq.Mtrs, Super Built Up Area of 64.843 Sq.Mtrs, with Balcony of 1.55 Sq.Mtrs, Bounded on: East by: Lift/Staircase; West by: O.T.S; North by: O.T.S and South by: 19.06.03, situated at Manchanahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore South District, Karnataka-562107, registered at the Banashankari Sub-Registrar Office, belonging to Amitesh Bhaskar, residing at No.2, First Floor, Someshwara Temple Road, Opposite to M G School Gate No 1, Bilekahalli, Bangalore South, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560076, has been lost/misplaced. An FIR/Complaint has been lodged with the MICO Layout Police Station vide Lost Report No. 2212961/2026 dated 20-05-2026. Any person(s) finding the said original documents or having any claim, title, or objection regarding the same is/are requested to notify the undersigned advocate in writing within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which it shall be presumed that the documents have been irrevocably lost and no claims exist.

Advocate **Shailaja,**
Shailaja Law Associates, No. 24,
Brindhavana Extn., Arekere MICO Layout,
Bangalore-560076. PH: 9972233600
advocate.shailajablr@gmail.com
Client : Amitesh Bhaskar

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public that the original Sale Deed dated 08.10.1997 executed by **Mr. Kurada Kutumba Rao,** S/o. Mr. Sundar Rao, in favour of **M/s. Crystal Agri-Tech Ltd.,** represented by its Managing Director Dr. Krothapalli Murali Mohan, registered as Document No.1360/1997-98, Book-I, before the Sub-Registrar, Nelamangala, in respect of properties bearing Sy.No.34/3 measuring 1 Acre 20 Guntas, Sy.No.34/4 measuring 30 Guntas, Sy.No.35/3 measuring 1 Acre 18 Guntas, Sy.No.50 measuring 1 Acre 12 Guntas, Sy.No.62 measuring 1 Acre 10 Guntas, Sy.No.47/1 measuring 1 Acre 16 Guntas and Sy.No.49 measuring 1 Acre 19 Guntas, situated at **Bhyrashettyhalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District,** has been lost/misplaced and not traceable.

Any person having found the said document or having any claim, objection, right, title or interest over the above property are requested to contact the undersigned within **7 days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which it will be presumed that no objection exists and further necessary actions shall be taken accordingly.

Sd/-
Ashvik Law Associates,
Advocates and Solicitors,
Office at No.24, First Floor,
Sri Rama Mandir Road,
Near Lalbagh Metro Station,
Basavanagudi, Bangalore – 560004.
Ph: 9538535801

Form No. 3
[See Regulation - 15(1)] / 16(3)
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BANGALORE (DRT-II)
B.S.N.L. Building, 4th Floor, Rajabhavan Road, Bengalore-560001.

O.A. No. 1702/2023

Bank of Baroda

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M/s. Dimentsion Technology and Others

SUMMONS UNDER SUB-SECTION (4) OF SECTION 19 OF THE ACT, READ WITH SUB-RULE (2A) OF RURAL 5 OF THE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993.

To,
1. M/s. Dimension Technology & Others
Represented by its proprietor
Sri Kiran Kumar .B
O/at : R33, KSSID, Industrial Area, Phase II, Jigani, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-562106.
2. Sri Kiran Kumar .B, S/o. Late Babu .S Aged about 37 years, No. 42, Sun Flower Apartment, Yelahanka New Town, Ananthpura Gate, Yelahanka Bus Stop, Bengaluru-560064.
3. Smt. Keerthana W/o. Sri Kiran Kumar Aged about 31 years, No. 42, Sun Flower Apartment, Yelahanka New Town, Ananthpura Gate, Yelahanka Bus Stop, Bengaluru.

Whereas, this applicant Bank has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993 against the defendant(s) you for the recovery of a sum totally of **Rs. 62,86,432.10/-** (Rupees Sixty Two Lakh Eighty Six Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Two and Ten Paisa only) plus future rate of interest and penal interest & together with un interest.

The above the mentioned Defendant(s) is/are therefore hereby directed to appear before this Tribunal in person or through an advocate duly authorized agent, in support of his/their defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **15.09.2026 at 10.30 a.m.** as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence

Given under my hand and seal of this Hon'ble Tribunal on this **19th day of May 2026.**
By order of Tribunal Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bengaluru-II
SUNANDA S RATHOD
Advocate for Applicant, KAR 1182/2002

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public that I, Chandramma.K, have lost/misplaced the possession certificate bearing reference No. PR No. 191/1985-86, dated: 08-03-1985, issued by the Bangalore Development Authority in respect of Site No.153, West of Chord Road, 1st Stage 2nd Phase, Bangalore.

All persons are hereby informed not to deal or carry out any transaction with anyone on the basis of the said missing document.

If any transaction has already been carried out or being carried out, kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address within 7 days from this day.

Mrs. Chandramma.K
No.849, 1st D Main Road, BDA Layout,
Near Hanumagiri Temple, 9th Block,
Nagarabhavi 2nd Stage,
Bangalore-560072.
Through my Advocate
Mr SHYAM SUNDAR H.V
387, 18th Cross, 1st Stage
BEML Layout, Basaveshwarangar
Bengaluru, 560 079.
Place: Bangalore Date: 21.05.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is informed to the General Public, the authorities of Central and State Government and following member Trustees of AL BALAGH EDUCATIONAL AND CHARITABLE TRUST registered under Indian Trust Act vide Document No. KCH-4-00178-2011-12 dated 22.02.2012 and stored in CD number KCHD91 at the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Gandhinagar (Kacharkanahalli), Bengaluru and having office at 4th Cross, Friends Colony, Hegganahalli Main Road, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bengaluru - 560091.

That the Secretary of the Trust has called upon a Special General Body Meeting on 07.02.2026 at 11.00 a.m. to discuss the affairs of the Trust due to the demise of the President of the Trust - Mr. Mohammed Shamshuddin, at the office of the Trust by duly sending notice to all the Trustees of the Trust. However, despite sending multiple notices and intimation of meetings, Mr. Mohammed Ali son of Mr. Mohammed Manzoor, Joint Secretary of the Trust has once again failed to appear for the meeting. The Trustees of the Trust have jointly resolved and decided that Mr. Mohammed Ali has failed to participate in the affairs of the Trust and violated the terms of the Trust Deed and accordingly, Mr. Mohammed Ali has ceased to continue as the Trustee of the Trust. Thereby, Mr. Mohammed Ali is hereby removed as the Trustee of the Al Balagh Educational And Charitable Trust and hereinafter, the any act, action, commitment, understanding or whatsoever made or being done by the Mr. Mohammed Ali in the capacity of a Trustee of the Trust, shall have no legal binding or whatsoever on the Trust and all such acts if so being done by the Mr. Mohammed Ali, all such actions shall deem to have strictly undertaken in his personal capacity.

Sd./- Secretary.
AL BALAGH EDUCATIONAL AND CHARITABLE TRUST

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Sri.V. Raghavendra Naidu, S/o. Venkataramaiah, Aged about 52 years, R/a. No.39, Ground Floor, Railway Parllel Road, Kumara Park, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore-560 020 presently residing at No. 204, 2nd floor, Dasta Apartment, L.G. Halli, Sanjayanagar post, Bengaluru-560 094, has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding on 8-12-2022, and has already paid a sum of Rs.55,00,000/- as part of security deposit, in respect the vacant property formed in Sy.No.490, measuring 21 Acres 60 cents, Sy.No.488/1, Measuring 26 Acres 62 cents, Sy.No.489 measuring 11 Acres 39 cents, Sy.No.487 measuring 23 Acres 16 cents, Sy.No.488/2 measuring 7 Acres 9 cents, forming one plot, totally measuring 89 acres, 86 cents, situated at Ananthapura Revenue Division, Chilamathur Sub-Division Revenue village, Lepakshi with all basic amenities and bounded on East by Forest Land and Hill, West by Private property, North by private property and South by Private property, which is more fully described in the schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as the schedule property, with Sri. Venkatesh K. V., S/o. Late. Sri. Venkataramaiah, Aged about 64 years, R/a. No. 4/3, Hosatti Layout, Shankar Nagar, Kodigehalli Post, Bengaluru-560 092 who is the absolute owner of the schedule properties. A Joint Development Agreement cum General power of Attorney is also registered on 24-4-2023, in the name of my client with respect to one of the afore said properties i.e. property bearing Sy.No. 490 measuring 21 acres 60 cents bounded on East by Forest Land and Hill, West by Sy.No. 488/1. North by Private property and South by Private property as such any person/persons who deal with the schedule properties in any manner by entering into any sort of transactions in respect of the schedule properties with anybody whomsoever including the owner of the schedule properties will be doing so at his own risk.

SCHEDULE

All the piece and parcel of the vacant property formed in Sy. No.490, measuring 21 Acres 60 cents or 8.748 Hectares, Sy.No.488/1, Measuring 26 Acres 62 cents 17 Acres 60 cents 9 Acres 02 cents or10,781 Hectares, Sy. No.489 measuring 11 Acres 39 cents or 4.612 Hectares, Sy. No.487 measuring 23 Acres 16 cents or 9.379 Hectares, Sy. No.488/2 measuring 7 Acres 9 cents or 2.871 Hectares, totally measuring 89 acres, 86 cents, situated at Ananthapura Revenue Division, Chilamathur Sub-Division Revenue village, Lepakshi with all basic amenities and bounded on

East by Forest Land and Hill, West by Private property, North by private property and South by Private property

N. SHARADHA, B.Com. LL.b ML, ADVOCATE
No.578, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Nagendra Block,
Near PES College, Bengaluru-560 050
Mob. : 9880915249, 9845745271
Bangalore, Date: 21-5-2026

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TRANSMISSION CORPORATION OF ANDHRA PRADESH LIMITED

(A Government of Andhra Pradesh Undertaking & an ISO 27001-2022 Certified Company)

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

The APTRANSCO invites bids online for **Spec.No.PMM12-e-39/2026:** 220kV Metering Current Transformers, Creepage - 31mm/kV. **Date & Time** of availability of above tender: **22.05.2026 at 5:00 PM**, Website: **www.tender.apeprocurement.gov.in.** Contact No.CE/Transmission: **0866-2429230.**

R.O. No.GMCC/APTRANSCO/41/26-27 **Sd/- CHIEF ENGINEER/TRANSMISSION**

JAIPUR CITY TRANSPORT SERVICES LIMITED

No. :- MD/JCTSL/2026-27/D - 457 Date :- 19/05/2026

Corrigendum - 04

This is with reference to JCTSL Bid no 11/2025-26 published on **http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in** UBN No.JCT2526SLOB00014 and **http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in** Tender ID 2026_JCTS_541409_1, Some amendments are made. Detail of amendments can be seen and may be downloaded from above mentioned websites and JCTSL Website **(http://transport.rajasthan.gov.in/jctsl).**

Raj.Samwad/C/26/3263 **OSD, JCTSL**

WB HIDCO

Short e-Tender Notice No. 01 of 2026-2027

e-tender is invited for the work in the manner as described in the detailed e-tender notice available on websites:-wbtenders.gov.in and wbhidcoltd.com & in e-tender portal. Last date of Bid submission on 26.05.2026 upto 02.00 P.M. Details may also be available in the websitewww.wbhidcoltd.com.

Additional General Manager (Engg)-IV

WB HIDCO

N. I. Q. No. 01 of G.M.(E)-II of 2026-2027

WBHIDCO invites online Item Rate open tender in two bid systems for **"Procurement of One Number Mechanical Thermoplastic Road Marking Machine of Capacity 100 Kg. with Truck Mounted Preheater"** for resourceful bonafide Govt. Contactors and eligible outsiders in the manner as described in the detailed tender notice available on **http://wbtenders.gov.in** on and from 21.05.2026 at 11:00 A.M.

Corrigendum / Addendum, if any to this e-tender would appear only on above Website and not be published.

General Manager (Engg.) - II
WBHIDCO Ltd.

BELAGAVI SMART CITY LIMITED (BSCL)

Registered Office: 1st Floor, BUDA Office, Ashok Nagar, Belagavi-590016 Phone : 0831- 2461352/ 2474166
E-mail: bscltd16@gmail.com Website: www.bscl.in

No: BSCL/CS/Quotation/I & S Auditor /2026-27/101&102 Date: 21-05-2026

Calling for Quotation

Managing Director, Belagavi Smart City Limited, Belagavi calling Quotation.

1.Internal Auditor - 01

2.Secretarial Auditor - 01

For further details check our official website: www.bscl.in

Last Date for receipt of application is 30-05-2026 at 5:30 pm.

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-286/KSMCA/2026-27 **Sd/-Managing Director**
Belagavi Smart City Limited, Belagavi.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Empanelment of approved Contractors in Mechanical Branch of Bengaluru Division

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites Consent letters for Empanelment of approved Contractors list to execute service contracts of Mechanized cleaning of Stations under quotation for three months whenever existing contract terminates. The tenderer(s)/contractors(s) intending to apply for empanelling for Mechanical service Contracts in Bengaluru division need to submit their consent with details given below:

Categary of Contractor	Slabs as per Indian Railways Compendium on Tenders & Contracts May 2016	Eligibility Criteria
Class 'C'	Up to 37.5 lakh	(i) They should have an organization with at least an Engineering Diploma Holder having minimum 3 years experience in relevant discipline. (Service Contracts) (ii) At the time of enlistment, they should have satisfactorily executed at least two similar nature of works* each individually costing not less than 10 lakh. (iii) During the last 3 financial years, they should have received contractual payments of at least 25 lakh.
Class 'B'	More than 37.5 lakh and Upto 1.5 crore	(i) They should have an organization with at least a graduate Engineer having minimum 5 years' experience in relevant discipline. (Service Contracts) and should maintain minimum compliment of transport vehicle, machineries, tools and equipment commensurate with the nature of works being done by them. (ii) At the time of enlistment, they should have satisfactorily executed at least two similar nature of works* each individualy costing not less than 25 lakhs. (iii) During the last 3 financial years, they should have received contractual payments of at least 1 Crore.

*** Definition of Similar Nature Work for Mechanized cleaning of Stations.**
"Mechanized cleaning of coaches in any of the coaching depots of Indian Raitways" OR "Mechanised enroute cleaning of trains during their stoppages under the clean train station scheme" OR "Providing on board housekeeping services on trains" OR "Mechanized cleaning services rendered in **a.** Airports or **b.** Metro stations And/Or Metro trains **c.** 3 Star and Higher -grade hotels or **d.** Hospitals having minimum 100 beds or **e.** Govt./PSU office complexes or **f.** Private limited public limited companies/Trusts OR "Mechanized cleaning of Railway Stations

Note: 1. Once the Contractor is borne the approved list, it will be valid for three years.
2. For registration in the approved list, the contractor shal furnish a non-refundable fee of Rs. 15,000/ (Rupees fifteen thousand) and Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees Twenty thousand) for registration under Category C' and 'B' respectively in Cheque/DD in favour of Sr.DFM/SBC Division.
3. The last day to submit consent forms with relevant documents as above is at 17.00 Hrs on or before 04.06.2026 at the office of the Sr.DEnHM, 4th Floor, DRM Administrative Building, Bengaluru - 560 023.
4. The letter should be sealed and shall hand over to Sr.DEnHM office either in person /post.

Senior Divisional Mechanical Engineer, Freight & EnHM
PUB/119/AAF/PRB/SWR/2026-27 **Bengaluru**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that, on behalf of our Client, we are investigating the title of the property described in the Schedule hereunder **("Schedule Property"),** owned by **Ms. Priyanka Pargaonkar ("Owner"),** who has represented herself as the absolute owner thereof.

Any person, bank, financial institution, authority, or entity having any right, title, interest, claim, or encumbrance over the Schedule Property is required to notify the undersigned in writing, along with supporting documents, within **fourteen (14) days** from the date of publication of this notice.

If no claim is received within the stipulated period, it shall be presumed that no person other than the Owner has any claim or interest in the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the agricultural land bearing **Survey No. 122/2A2** measuring **1 Acre 12 Guntas,** situated at **Koligere Village, Doddabelavangala Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk and Bengaluru Rural District** and bounded on the:

East by : Land belonging to Venkatashamaiah and Venkatgiriappa, West by : Land belonging to Venkatashamaiah, North by : Land belonging to Kempahanumaiah, South by : Road.

Signed /-
Trust Law Advocates & Solicitors
No.29/11, 1st Floor, Udaya Sahakara Bhavana
Mount Joy Road, 1st Main Road,
Bengaluru 560004
Phone No. 080 – 29913089/ +91 8050503089
Email Id: narayan@trustlaw.in

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II (KARNATAKA) FOURTH FLOOR TELEPHONE HOUSE BUILDING, RAJ BHAVAN ROAD, BENGALURU -560 001

O.A. No. 2813 OF 2025

BETWEEN: HDFC Bank Ltd, (Formerly HDFC Ltd.)
having office at: H.D.F.C. House, No. 51 Kasturba Road, Bengaluru 560 001.
...APPLICANT

AND:
1. Mr. Bhat Prasanna s/o. Mr. Bhat Keshava, Aged about 43 years.
Currently residing at: #101 Dream Home Apartment 2nd Floor, Bannerghatta Road, Gottigere, Bengaluru-560083.
Working at: Philips India Pvt. Ltd. Manyata Tech Park, Nagavara, Department: Health Care
Employee No.: 40010213, Bangalore, Karnataka, 560045
Property address:
Flat-G008, Ground Floor, Ozone Urbana Aqua Blk F,G,H (subvn), situated at S.No.89/1 & 92/2, Kannamangala Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli, Bengaluru - 562 110.
... DEFENDANT NO.1
2. Mrs. Bhat Geetha Shripad
W/o. Bhat Prasanna, **Currently residing at:** #101 Dream Home Apartment 2nd Floor, Bannerghatta Road, Gottigere, Bengaluru - 560 083.
Working at: Infosys Ltd.
Electronic City, Department: GMU BITS
Employee No.: 72631, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560 100. Defendant No.2
3. M/s. Ozone Urbana Infra Developers Pvt. Ltd., A Company incorporated under the Indian Companies Act, 1956 Having its registered office at:
No. 38, Ulsoor Road, Bengaluru - 560 042
... Defendant No.3

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993

WHEREAS: the applicant has instituted an original application under section 19(1) of Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy act 1993 against you for recovery of debts of Rs. Rs.80,35,136/* (Rupees Eighty Lakh Thirty Five Thousand one hundred and Thirty-Six only) together with current and current and future interest and other reliefs. The above Defendent No. 1 and 2 and 3 therefore, hereby directed to file the writtern statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applicant and to appear before the Hon'ble Tribunal in person or through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication on or **22nd June 2026 at 10.30 a.m** as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted

Teke notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of the Hon'ble Tribunal on this the day of 20th May 2026

BY THE ORDER OF THE REGISTRAR
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-2
BANGALORE

KERAFED

A Govt. of Kerala Enterprise

H.O.Kera Tower,Water Works Compound Vellayambalam, Trivandrum, Pin: 695 033 ,Tel: 0471-2320504, 2326209
Email: kerafedproj@gmail.com, www.kerafed.com

E-TENDER NOTICE FOR PACKING MATERIALS

- **SUPPLY OF BOPP TAPE**
  Tender ID: [2026_KFD_850278_1
- **SUPPLY OF POUCH FILM**
  Tender ID: 2026_KFD_850275_1
- **SUPPLY OF CARTONS**
  Tender ID: 2026_KFD_850276_1

Bid Submission closing date **25th May 2026 @12.00 hrs** For E-Tender submission visit www.etenders.kerala.gov.in

Thiruvananthapuram 15.05.2026 Sd/- Managing Director

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the general public that my client **Sri. P.K. RAJENDRA** S/o. late. H.M. Basappa, residing at Flat No.005 & 106 'Skylark Topaz', 5th Main Road, Jagadeeshnagara, New Thippasandra Post, Bangalore 560075, was lost original documents **[1].** Sale Deed, dated. 01-03-1985, D.No.7396/85-86, **[2].** Development Agreement, dated 22-11-2002, D.No. 12634/2002-03, **[3].** Power of attorney, dated 23-11-2002, D.No.264/2002-03, **[4].** Memorandum of Understanding, dated 22-11-2002, **[5].** Indenture of Union, dated 21-11-2002, **[6].** Assessment Extract for 1988-89, dated 28-12-1992, **[7].** Endorsements, dated 30-03-1985 & dated 22-02-1993, **[8].** Tax paid receipts Nos.2 for period of 88-89 & 91-92, 95-96, in respect of property bearing Flats No.005 & No. 106, vide E-Katha PID No.2716749427 & No.4394712216, situated at G.M. Palya, Jagadeeshnagara, Bangalore-560075, measuring 1003 Square feet / 93.2 Square Meter and 1431 Square feet / 132.9 Square Meter, in this regard my client has lodged a online police complaint on 20-05-2026.

The Public's are hereby informed that in the event of find/found above documents, same can be handed over either to the undersigned Advocate or to above named person or nearest police station.

S. PARAMESH, Advocate
No.663, 2nd Floor, Mallappa's
New Market, OTC Road, Chickpet,
Bangalore - 560053. M: 9945452152.

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE III ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BENGALURU CITY(CCCH-25)

O.S.No.5680/2025

BETWEEN: Sri. P. TARACHAND OSWAL @ TARACHAND RATHOD,
Aged 72 years, Son of Late. Prathap Chand, Residing at No.80, Diagonal Road,V.V Puram Bengaluru 560 004 **... Plaintiff/Applicant**
AND:
Dr. K.P. HARISH & OTHERS
... Defendants/Opponents

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANTS No.1 & 2 U/O 5 RULE 20 OF CPC

1. Dr. K.P.HARISH, Aged 57 years, Son of Late. Puttegowda, Residing at No.83, 1st Floor,10th Main, 3rd Stage, Manjunathanagar, Bengaluru-560 010
2. Smt. VEENA.M.R, Aged 50 years, Wife of Dr.K.P.Harish, Residing at No.83, 1st Floor,10th Main, 3rd Stage, Manjunathanagar, Bengaluru-560 010

Whereas the Plaintiff above named has instituted the aforesaid suit against you for injunction and declaration, you are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble Court in person or by pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit or you shall be accompanied by some person able to answer all material question on the **29th day of June month of 2026 [29-6-2026] at 11.00AM** to answer the same, failing which the suit will be disposed off in your absence ex-parte.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.737, situated at Banashankari 1st Stage, 2nd Block Layout, Bengaluru, measuring East-West 40 Feet and North-South (57+58)/2, situated within BBMP ward No.164, Vidyapeeta, with BBMP E-PID No.9307455338, and bounded on the:
East by: Site No.736
West by: Site No.738
North by: Road,
South by: Site No.772

Given under my hand and seal of the court on the 20th day of May 2026.

By Order of the Court Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court Bengaluru
Advocate for Plaintiff:
H.S. SOMNATH (KAR/2643/2000)
No.GF-4, Gound Floor, " SAMPURNA CHAMBERS", No.13, Vasavi Temple Road, V V Puram, Bengaluru-560004.

PUBLIC NOTICE

General public may note that, my Client Sri. Nagaraju.K, aged about 47 years, R/at Agara Village, Maralavadi Hobli, Harohalli Taluk, Bengaluru South District is intended to purchase the schedule property from its owner Sri. Arjunan Rukmangadhan, Aged about 69 years, S/o. Late A Dhanalakshmi & Late. Chinnaswamy Arjunan, R/at No.26, 2nd Main Road, Vasanthanagar, Bengaluru-560052. The said owner Sri.Arjunan Rukmangadhan had got the schedule property from his mother Late A Dhanalakshmi. The said Late A Dhanalakshmi has purchased the schedule property from its owners Sri. Pillappa, Beerappa, Akkayamma, Rathnamma, Ravi Kumar, Muniraju, Basavaraju, Nagaraja & Janardhana all are represented by their GPA Holder Sri. K.B. Lakshman S/o. N.Beerappa under the Sale deed dated 17.02.1992, registered vide document No. 9368/1991-92, in the office of sub registrar, at Kengeri, Bengaluru. Since then the property is absolutely owned by my client mother Smt A Dhanalakshmi in her possession until her death. Smt A Dhanalakshmi died on 06.02.2007 leaving behind his son Arjunan Rukmangadhan as her legal heir.

If any person/s have any claim over the schedule property the same may be intimated in writing along with documents to the undersigned within 7 days from the date of this publication, in the absence of any objection within the above said period, it shall be deemed that, there is no objection and the sale deed will be executed in my client favour without any further reference in this regard.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the vacant immovable residential Sites bearing Nos.112 & 113, Khata No. 112/113/89, measuring East West 80 feet, North to South 60 feet, totally measuring 4800 sq.feet, formed in Survey No.89, which is duly converted for Non-agricultural residential purpose by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, at Bangalore vide Official Memorandum bearing No.ALN/SR(S):202/1991-92 dated 26.11.1991, situated at Doddakallasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, presently comes within the limits of Greater Bengaluru Authority bounded on the following:- East by : Site No. 114, West by : Road, North by : Road, South by : Punjab National Bank Layout.

MANJU .H.M, Advocate
Office No.8, 1st Floor, Shanthi Islamia Complex, Opposite Ganapathi Temple, Kaggalipura, Kanakapura Road, Bengaluru-560082. Mobile No. 9008005377

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ZILLA PANCHAYATH RAICHUR
THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER RURAL DRINKING WATER & SANITATION DIVISION RAICHUR

NO./EE/RDW&S/RCR/TS/KKRDB/2026-27/e-Tender/334 DATED:18-05-2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Executive Engineer RDW & S Division Raichur invites tenders from eligible tenderers Registered under e-procurement civil contractors in Panchayath Engineering Department, for Providing water supply scheme to below works, as per KW-1 & 4, Standard Bid Document Under KKRDB 2025-26.The tenderers may submit tenders for the works given in the table in GOK e- Procurement platform https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only as per Rule 28 of the KTPP Act shall be followed.

1) Notification Date:18-05-2026 2) Download of tender schedule documents online :19-05-2026 3) Last date for receiving of filled tender documents: 01-06-2026 at 4:30 PM 4) Opening of Technical bid:02-06-2026 at 5:30 PM 5) Opening of Financial bid: 03-06-2026 at 5:30 PM

Indent Nos.:- Raichur:1 RWSSD/2026-27/WS/WORK_INDENT10049 2) RWSSD/2026-27/WS/WORK_INDENT10084

More details can be had from the Office of the under signed and also through our website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/ by clicking the List of Tenders which will be link all Dept. works list.

Sd/-Executive Engineer,
DIP/RCR/80KSMCA/82/2026-27 **RDW&S. Divn, Raichur.**

BELAGAVI INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

(Autonomous Medical Institution)
Dr. B. R. Amedkar Road, Belagavi - 590 001. (Hospital) Phone : 0831-2420320
Fax : 0831-2420173, (College) Phone : 0831-2421464. Fax : 0831-2403126,
E-Mail : belgaum.bims@gmail.com Website : www.bimsbelgaum.org

No. : B.I.M.S./H.O.S.P./SUP-1/K.P.P.//Tender/CR-25/2026-27 **Date : 21-05-2026**

TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Chief Account Officer Cum Financial Advisor Belagavi Institute of Medical Sciences Belagavi The Tender Invitation for Purchase of Smart New Born & Maternal Monitors as per K.P.P. Act 1999 & Rules 2000 in **Two Cover System** there under.

Sl. No.	Tender Notification	Description of Tender	Tender Value (Approximate) (Rs. In Lakhs)	Downloading of Tender Document
01	BIMS/HOSP/SUP-1/ CR-25/2026-27 DATE : 22-05-2026	Purchase of Smart New Born & Maternal Monitors in OBG Department of BIMS, Belagavi.	Rs. 70 Lakhs	KPP-Procurement Portal

The Tenderers Registered under KPP Procurement Portal can refer Government of Karnataka KPPP Portal **Website : https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** to get detailed information about the tender & details of **EMD & Security Deposit or can Contact the Director B.I.M.S., Belagavi** in the working hours to get the information.

Tender inviting Authority, Tender Accepting Authority has got powers to cancel any tender or all tenders without assigning any reason.

Sd/- Chief Account Officer Cum Financial Advisor,
Belagavi Institute of Medical Sciences, Belagavi.
DIPR/Belagavi/284/Manipal/2026-27

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

The following borrower(s) has/have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest towards the Loan facility(ies) availed from ICICI Bank. The Loan(s) has/have been classified as Non-Performing Asset(s) (NPA).
A Notice was issued to them under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, at their last known addresses. However, it has not been served and are therefore being notified by way of this Public Notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Description of Secured Asset to be enforced	Date of Notice sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Sudarshan R (Deceased) Through It's Legal Heir/ Nagalakshmi Sudarshan/ No. 58 Sri Sharada Nilaya Near Garden City Club, Kodigehalli Main Road, K.R. Puram Bangalore - 560036/ LBBNG00003161637/ LBBNG00003696084/ LBBNG00003161682	As Described In The Loan Document/ Property Document Covering All That Piece And Parcel of The Property Bearing Site No. 58 Situated In I... Notified Area Katha No. 216/1/25 Basavanapura Village K.R. Puram Hobli Bangalore South Taluk [Old] Near Garden City Club Kodigehalli Main Road K.R. Puram Bangalore-560036 [New] The Site Measuring East To West 40 Feet, And North To South 30 Feet And A Building Constructed Thereon And Bounded As Follows: North: Remaining Portion of The Same Site South: Site No. 67 East: Site No. 59 West: Road	10.04.2026 Rs. 89,07,452.49/-	12-07-2021
2.	Sameena Kouser/ Azeez Banu/ No.1339, Islam Pur Mohalla, Channapatna, Ramanagar Channapatna- 562160/ TBBNG00006878553	Schedule 'A' Property (Description of The Entire Property) All That Piece And Parcel of Immovable Property Bearing No.151/1. Situated At Old Madras Road, Halasuru, Bangalore 8 (Ward No. 75- Pid No. 75-1-151/1) Measuring From East To West 84 Feet 9 Inches, And North To South 40 Feet, In All 3390 Square Feet, And Exclusive Passage of 10'x 84' Leading To The Schedule Property, And Bounded On: East By: Property No. 152, West By: 515 Military Barracks, North By: Road, South By: Private Property. Schedule 'B' Property (Description of The Undivided Share Conveyed Under This Deed) 502.85 Square Feet, of Undivided Share, Right, Title And Interest In Respect of The Schedule 'A' Property. Schedule 'C' Property (Description of The Flat/ Apartment Conveyed Under This Deed) Apartment No. 151/1-7, Situated In The Third Floor, In The Building Known As 'Pranav Enclave' Constructed On The Schedule 'A' Property With A Super Built-Up Area of 2300 Square Feet, Comprising of Three Bed Rooms (Two With Attached Bath And One Common Bath) Hall, Kitchen, Balcony With The Floors, Ceiling And Walls, And Equally Including Proportionate Share of Common Area Along With One Reserved Car Parking In The Stilt.	10.04.2026 Rs. 2,12,86,564.34/-	06-03-2026
3.	Sushma P/ Mahadevamma S E/ No.20 4th Cross, 1st Main, Silk Tech, Near Manasi Nagar Mysore- 570029/ LBMYS00004635423	As Described In The Loan Document/ Property Document Covering All That Piece And Parcel of The Property Bearing No.96, Situated At A Layout Formed In Sy. No/137/1, 137/2, 137/3, 138/1, 138/2, 138/3, 139/3A, 139/38,146/1, 146/2, 146/3A, 146/38, 147/1, 147/2, 147/3, Measuring 14 Acres 09 Guntas of Alanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Mysore Taluk, Layout Formed By Mysore Dairy Employees House Building Co-Operative Society Limited, Mysore, By Name "Nandini Layout" 2nd Stage, Block No.08, Mysore, Measuring East To West: 12.00 Meters And North To South: 09.00 Meters, In Total Measuring 108.00 Sq. Meters And The Property Is Bounded On The; North: Property Bearing No.97; South: Property Bearing No.95. East: Property Bearing No.103; West: Road	10.04.2026 Rs. 18,84,504.87/-	06-03-2026
4.	N Nagendra Kumar/ N Rashmi/ South Western Railway Ciit Sheper Office, Flat No. 6 Railway, Bangalore- 560063/ LBMYS00004187232/ LBMYS00004187233	As Described In The Loan Document/ Property Document Covering All The Piece And Parcel of The Property Situated In Ramanagara Taluk, Kasaba Hobli, Vaderahalli Village, Survey No. 104 Been Converted For Non-Agricultural Residential Purposes As Per The Hukum No. Bhoo. Pari. 73/83-84, Date No: 29-05-1984 of The Tahsildar of Ramanagara Taluk, And Is Under The Jurisdiction of The Present Municipal Corporation. There Are Two Items In Municipal Khaneshumam Khata No. 108/592/44, 3rd Phase of Ramanagara District, Ramanagara Town, Vaderahalli, Out of Which The Area of The 2nd Item Is Measuring Total 30+5/2x80 Feet. Out of The Total Area of The Vacant Plot Given To You For Sale Today, The Area of The East: West:- North Side:- 05 (Five) Feet, East: West:- South Side:- 23 (Twenty-Three) Feet, North: South:- Eastern Side:-50 (Fifty) Feet, North: South:- West Side:-50 (Fifty) Feet, (05+23/2x50+50/2) Feet, And Bounded By: North: Drainage South: Remaining Portion of The Same Property East: Municipal Road West: Drainage	16.04.2026 Rs. 18,02,157.00/-	06-03-2026

These steps are being taken for substituted service of Notice. The above borrower/s and/or guarantor/s (as applicable) is/are advised to make the outstanding payment within 60 days from the date of publishing this Notice. Else, further steps will be taken as per the provisions of the Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date: May 22, 2026
Place: Bangalore
Sincerely Authorised Officer
For ICICI Bank Ltd.

GREATER BENGALURU DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (GBDA)

Kandaya Bhavana, 3rd Floor, Ramanagara, Bengaluru South District. Ph.No.: 7259198192.

No: GBDA/Outsource Vehicle/03/2025-26 **Date: 21-05-2026**

TENDR NOTIFICATION

"Re-e-tender for providing Outsource Vehicle services to the office of Greater Bengaluru Development Authority, Ramanagara has been published in e-Procurement Portal of GOK. For details visit **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in"** (Auction Notice No. GBDA/2025-26/SE0008/CALL-2).

Sd/- Deputy Commissioner (LA)
Greater Bengaluru Development Authority
DIPR/CP/761/Adverto/2026-27 **Ramanagara.**

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public are hereby informed that my clients are intending to purchase the schedule property from its lawful owners,
Sri. G. J. RAGHAVENDRA
and **Smt. Saroja M. Holla**
r/a No. 1754, 7th Main, BEML Layout, 5th Stage, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru-560098, Karnataka. Having acquired the same through a registered sale deed in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore South, vide Doc No.1878/97-98, Dated: 19/06/1997. Anyone having any objections to the proposed sale may lodge their claim with the undersigned with documents, **within 14 days from the date of this publication**, failing which my client would proceed with further transaction and documentation / execution of sale deed and any claim lodged thereafter shall not be reckoned with and not binding on my client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing **Site No.722,** formed out of Sy. No. 80/1, **TMC PID No. 3882934238, Karunanagar, Doddathoguru Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.** Measuring East to West: 40 feet and North to South: 30 feet [in all measuring 1200 Sq. Ft.], and bounded on East: Road; West: Site No.713; North: Site No.723 and South: Site No.721.

Bangalore. Date: 22/05/2026
Raghavendra Konda
Advocate - LAW ASSOCIATES
No. 40/2, 1st Floor, 2nd Cross, Achaiah Setty Layout RMV Extn., Bangalore-80. **Mob: 98452 19783**

MAHAVITARAN
Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd.

E-Tender Notice

Tender for Appointment of Project Implementation Support Consultant (PISC) for Maharashtra Power Distribution Enhancement Program under MSKVY2.0 Scheme funded by Asian Development Bank (ADB)

The Chief Engineer (Special Projects), Prakashgad, Mumbai wishes the Bids from eligible bidders for Project Implementation Support Consultant (PISC) for Maharashtra Power Distribution Enhancement Program under MSKVY2.0 Scheme funded by Asian Development Bank (ADB) under MSEDCL, Maharashtra through **e-tendering website of MSEDCL,** duly super scribing with tender No., due date and opening date & time as follows:

Tender No.	Tender Cost (Rs. Lakhs)	* Tender Fees (Rs.)
CE-SPD/MSKVY2.0/ADB-PISC/Mumbai/25-26/T-05	815.76	11,800.00

*Tender Fee (including 18% GST) is to be paid by e-payment only, directly through net banking to MAHADISCOM account.

- Availability of bid documents on website 21-05-2026
- Date and time of sale of bid documents 21-05-2026 at 14.00 Hrs
- Date & time of Bid Submission 28-05-2026 up to 15.00 Hrs
- Date and time of opening of technical bids 28-05-2026 at 16.00 Hrs

This notice is general intimation for the interested Bidders. The details of the tenders are available on MSEDCL's e-tendering Website **https://etender.mahadiscom.in/eatApp/.**

The Agencies are requested to visit our website to register themselves for e-Tenders. Memorandum/ corrigendum etc. will not be published in the newspaper.

Sd/-
Chief Engineer (Special Projects),
MSEDCL, Mumbai.

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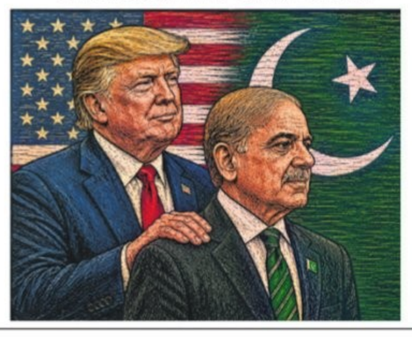

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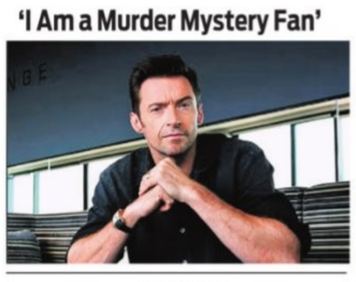

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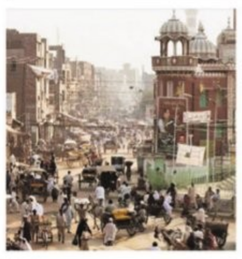

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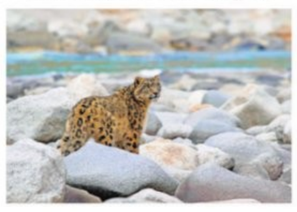

Frozen Assets

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Bluebyte Constructions** Rep. by Authorized signatory **Mr. Rahul Raj,** having office at No.555 & 578, 1st Floor, GG Complex, 6th Cross Road, HMT Layout, 3rd Block, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore-560 097 being the developer has entered into Joint Development Agreement & General Power of Attorney both dated 22.05.2025 with **Smt. V Lalitha (owner)** in respect of residential property bearing Site No.14 (E-Khatha Document Number 1769430, BBMP PID No. 6693888749 and property No.1484/1564/14), situated at **Doddabommasandra Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk,** measuring **East** to **West: (49+47)/2 feet** and **North** to **South: 60 feet,** totally measuring **2880 Sq.ft** and plot bounded on the:-

East by: Road,
West by: Subbajatti's Property,
North by: Site No.15,
South by: Site No.13.

And my client has lost original Joint Development Agreement & General Power of Attorney both dated 22.05.2025 registered as Document No.1457/2025-26 & Document No. 66/2025-26 respectively in the office of Sub-Registrar, Byatarayanapura, Bangalore, pertaining to the above said property.

If anybody general public is having found/ possession of the said title deeds may hand over to the under mentioned Advocate/ Address.

It is hereby notified to the general public, Banks, societies, financial institutions that not to make any transaction upon the said lost documents, if done same will be treated as null and void. If any Individual is having any objections or having any rights or interest over the said property may lodge their objections and/or claims with the undersigned along with supporting documentary evidence ***within 15 days*** from the date of this public notice.

M. Harish, *M.Com, LL.B.,* **Advocate .**
"SOUNDARYA PARAMOUNT"
83/87, 2nd Floor, 5th Cross,
Malleswaram Circle, Bangalore-560 003.
Ph: 8050200900 (O) 98450 65514 (M)
Email: harishmadivalappa6178@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client Sri.Ajith Kumar D., S/o. Sri.G.K. Devaraj proposes to purchase the Schedule Property from Sri.K.R. Krishna, S/o late K.Ramakrishnaiah, It is hereby informed the general public that any person/s, Bank/s, financial institution/s etc., if having any objection, charge, lien, mortgage right, title or interest etc., over the Schedule Property should notify the undersigned in writing along with documentary proof within seven days from this notice. If, such claim is/are not lodged with us within the stipulated time, as above, it will be presumed that the Schedule Property is free from any claim/s and my Client will proceed to purchase the Schedule Property without being liable for any claim/s put forth thereafter.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

The Property bearing Site No.591, Property ID/PID No.6000087748, formed by the Bangalore Development Authority, situated at 6th Block, Arkavathy Layout, Survey Nos.52/2 and 52/5 of K.Narayanapura Village, Bangalore, measuring East to West 9.00 Meters and North to South 12.00, Meters, in all measuring 108.00 Square Meters and property being bounded on the
East by Site No.590,
West by Site No.592,
North by Water Channel (Mori),
South by Road.

-sd-
K.M.GANAPATHY, Advocate,
 # 59/1, Next to BBMP Office,
Old Madras Road, K.R.Puram,
BANGALORE -560 036
Ph:98443 33687
Mail. Ganapathy.adv1727@gmail.com
Bangalore
Date:22.05.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Notice is hereby given to Public is hereby informed that my client is intending to purchase the below mentioned schedule property from its owners M/s. NOEL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY PVT LTD. Represented by its Director Mrs. Poppy Dorothy Noel., Residing at: 9/1-1, the Pommels, Bethel Street, 3rd 'A' cross, HRBR 2nd Block, Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore-560043.

Any person having any right, title, interest, claim or demand whatsoever in respect of said property by way of sale, inheritance, bequest, exchange, gift, possession, trust, Mortgage, lease, license, lien, charge, tenancy, lis pendency, development rights, maintenance, easement, or under any agreement of sale or Power of Attorney, option, right of first refusal or pre-emption whatsoever or otherwise howsoever, is hereby required to make the same known in writing with documentary proof thereof, to the undersigned at the address mentioned herein below within 10 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the sale transaction shall be completed without any reference to such right, title, interest, claim or demand & the same shall be deemed to have been waived to all intents & purposes. Claims without documentary proofs and/or objections directly published in Newspaper shall not be considered as Valid.

Schedule Property

All that piece and Parcel of the Residential House Property bearing house No. 9/1-1, having BBMP Khata New PID No. 1105438990, Measuring total Site Area is 4000 Sq.ft and buildup area is 8999 Sq.ft (836 Sq.Mtrs), situated at 89173-BETHAL STREET KAMMANAHALLI, 9/2, 3RD a Cross Road, HRBR 2nd Block, Caleekal Social Organisation Kalyan Nagar Bangalore-560043., and bounded on the;

East By: Private Property measuring on that side 23.65 Mtrs or 77 feet 7 inches

West By : Remaining portion of the same property retained by the Vendor, measuring on that side 25.9 Mtrs or 91 feet 10 inches. **North By :** BDA Road measuring on that side 15.13 meters or 49 feet 8 inches. **South By :** Bethel Street measuring on that side 14.98 Mtrs or 49 feet 12 inches

HANUMANTH R., ADVOCATE
Mobile: 9620697201
Sri. PRAVEEN KUMAR RODDAM
S/o Surendra Babu Roddam
Residing at #A-1002, 10th Floor
Bairavi Cruz Laxury Apartment
Chelekeri Main Road,
Opp: to St. Rocks church,
Kalyan Nagar,Bangalore-560043
Mobile: 95381 00008
Date : 21.05.2026
Place : Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients are intending to purchase **2 acres,** each of Land described in the schedule from its owner, **Siri G Rajanna,** son of late Gundappa, resident of Melkote village, Tubager's Hobli Doddaballapur Taluk . If any person organisation or any institution or company are having any interest, Claim or right over the property of whatsoever nature are hereby director to Contact us immediately to put forth their documents within **seven days** from the date of this publication failing which my client will proceed with the completion of the registration of the sale Deed , considering that there is no objection to the transaction.

SCHEDULE

All that recent parcel of the agriculture land wearing survey number **2/4** situated at **Srinivas pura village Tubager's Hobli Doddaballapur Taluk.** Measuring to an extent of 4 acres, excluding four Gunta of B kharaab. Bounded on the: **East by: land of Ratnamma, West by: Road North by : land belong to Ganga Narasa Balakrishna and Chikkanarasappa South by: land of Halappa bearing Sy.No 2/5.**

V. Keshavarao Mohite, Advocate
No. 35, Behind Bhupathi Tennis Village,
Virupakshapura Bengaluru-97. Ph 9844469408

PUBLIC NOTICE

The State Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Karnataka vide F. No. SEIAA 93 CON 2026 dated 14.05.2026 has Issued Environmental Clearance to **M/s. Sowparnika Homes Private Limited** "Proposed Residential Apartment" located at **Sy No. 143/1, 143/2, 143/3, 144/1,144/2, 145/1,145/2, 145/4, 145/5, 161/1 and 161/2 of Poojena Agrahara Village, Kasaba Hoblli. Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, Karnataka** as per applicable provisions of EIA Notification, 2006 and amended thereafter.

Copy of the clearance certificate is available with the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board/committee and may also be seen on the website of the Ministry and at **https://parivesh.nic.in.**

Date : 21-5-2026 Place : Bengaluru

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

ARM 1 BRANCH, Spencer Building 2nd Floor, M G Road, Bengaluru- 560001, Email: cb2366@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction sale notice for sale of Immovable property under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Canara Bank, Bengalore of the Canara Bank, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis **on 16.06.2026** (10.30 AM to 11.30 AM), for recovery of **Rs. 10,93,22,325.05/-** (Rupees Ten Crore Ninety Three lakhs Twenty Two thousand Three hundred Twenty Five and Paisa Five Only) as on 01.05.2026 with further interest and cost thereon due to the ARM 1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from

1.M/s. Y R Ramesh Reddy, S/o Sri. Ramakrishna Reddy, Office At : 219 , 10th C Main Road, 1st Block,Jaynagar , Bangalore – 560011

2.Guarantor and Property owner: MR. A N PURUSHOTHAMA S/o: A S Narayanaswamy Residing at: No. 2, Arekere Village, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore – 560 076.

3.Guarantor: Smt K Chandrika D/o S Narayanaswamy, Residing at : No 58, Chandrika Nilaya , 3rd Main New Kempagowda Layout, Kathri Guppe, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore 560 011.

Full description of the immovable property, Reserve Price, EMD, known Encumbrance(s), Outstanding Dues if any are as under: - **(Rs.in lacs)**

Lot	Description of the Immovable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value
1.	All that piece and parcel of vacant site plot no. 19, Khata Nos, 7/5 & 7/6 situated at Samrat layout , Arakere Village, Begur hobli, Bangalore south Taluk measuring 2524 Sq. ft. Boundaries: East: Property of Rama chandra and Raghavendra, West: Meenakshi residency Apartment, North: Private property, South; Private property.	195.00	19.50	1.00
2.	All the piece and parcel vacant site plot no. 19, Municipal Assessment No. 109/103/19 (old No. 7/5 & 7/6), Sl No. 1060 situated at Samrat Layout, Arekere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore in the name of A N Purushothama. Total 2887.50 sq. ft. Boundaries East: Road, West: Remaining portion of site 19, North: Private Property, South: 3 Feet passage.	222.00	22.20	1.00

The EMD should be deposited on or before 15.06.2026 up to 4.00 pm

The property will not be sold below the Reserve Price and property will be sold together only.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited **(https://baanknet.com/)** portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, (Ph. No.9535093706 and 9039609346) during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bangalore
Date: 21.05.2026

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client is interested in purchasing the property from **Mrs. MANASWINI GOUTHAM,** D/o. Mr. B.S.Shivashankar & Mrs. Late. M. Lakshmi Devi No. 12000, Stable Ridge Terrace, Glen Allen, Virginia, United States of America (USA) 23059-2656, described in the schedule hereunder. Any persons having any claim, title or interest over the schedule property or any objections to the proposed purchase may file their objections in writing along with copies of the supporting documents to the undersigned within 7 days from the date of this publication, failing which my client will be advised to go ahead and complete the sale formalities.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Vacant Site No.81, Katha No.857, E-PID No. 7453874000, BBMP Ward No. 194, Gottigere Range, situated at Kothanur Village, BGS Layout, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 45 feet and North to South: 40 feet, in all measuring 1800 Square Feet.

H.V. RAMASWAMY REDDY, Advocate
Hotel Ganesh Upahar, P.M. Krishnappa Road, Bangalore-560 002.
Mob: 9844175015. Date: 21/05/2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that my client is intending to purchase the below mentioned schedule of property from its owner Mr. Dilip Kumar N s/o Late Nagaraju, residing at No. 2970, 13th B Main Road, RPC Layout, Attiguppe, Bangalore–560040.

If anybody is having any objection, claim, interest, dispute for the above intended sale transaction, he/she/they may contact the undersigned with the documentary proof substantiating his/her/their objections/claims/details of dispute/s within Fourteen (14) days from the date of this publication, failing which, my client will proceed to complete the sale transaction with the above owner as if there are no third party claims/objections/disputes in respect of the Schedule Property and thereafter no claims/objections/disputes will be entertained.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of property bearing no. 16, Old No. 24/B, Situated at 2nd B Cross, A.K. Colony, Hosahalli, Bangalore - 560040 measuring East to West 18 Feet, North to South 48 Feet, in total 864 Square Feet, along with house 700 Square feet RCC house, bonded East by:Property No.25, West by: Property No. 15, old No. 24/A, North by: Conservancy followed by Property of Thirumalayai and C Shantamma and South by: Road.

Sd/- **PRABHAKAR .V.S,** (Purchaser)
RAVI KUMAR .H.M, Advocate
No. 105, Flat No. 102, 1st Floor, SS Royal Mansion, East Park Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003.
Ph: +91 9886211823, +91 8553555536, +91 6361393610

PUBLIC NOTICE

BAGMANE GREEN POWER LLP
(LLPIN - AAL-2880)
Registered Office Address: 5th floor, B Block Bagmane Laurel, No.65/2, Bagmane Tech Park, Byrasandra, C. V. Raman Nagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore- 560093, Karnataka.

FORM NO. URC-2

Advertisement giving notice about registration under Part I of Chapter XXI [Pursuant to section 374(b) of the companies Act, 2013 and rule 4(1) of the Companies (Authorised to Register) Rules, 2014]

- Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of sub-section (2) of section 366 of the Companies Act, 2013, an application is proposed to be made after twenty one days hereof but before the expiry of thirty days hereinafter to the Registrar at Central Registration Centre (CRC), Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs(IICA), Plot No. 6,7,8, Sector 5, IMT Manesar, District Gurgaon (Haryana), Pin Code – 122050, that **"M/s.BAGMANE GREEN POWER LLP"**, a Limited Liability Partnership Firm, may be registered under Part I of Chapter XXI of the Companies Act 2013, in the name of **"BAGMANE GREEN POWER PRIVATE LIMITED"** as a company limited by shares.
- The Principal Objects of the Company are as follows:-
- Electric power generation using other non conventional sources;
- To set-up, establish, operate, maintain and/or manage the renewable energy power plant/ project and/or multi-fuel based power plants/ stations/projects at other locations and without limiting the generality of the above, to carry on the business of generating harnessing, developing, accumulating, procuring, converting, transforming, transmitting, producing, storing, carrying and dealing of/in electric power;
  and other related business activity are as specified in the draft Memorandum of Association of the Company.
- A copy of the draft Memorandum and Articles of Association of the proposed Company may be inspected at the Office at 5th floor, B Block Bagmane Laurel, No.65/2, Bagmane Tech Park, Byrasandra, C. V. Raman Nagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore- 560093, Karnataka.
- Notice is hereby given that any person objecting to this application may communicate their objection in writing to the Registrar at Central Registration Centre (CRC), Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA), Plot No. 6,7, 8, Sector 5, IMT Manesar, District Gurgaon (Haryana), Pin Code-122050, within twenty one days from the date of publication of this notice, with a copy to the Company at its registered office.

Date: 04th May, 2026
Place: Bengaluru

For M/s. Bagmane Green Power LLP
Dansale Ramegowda Pradeepa Designated Partner DIN: 07218972
Raja Bagmane Designated Partner DIN: 00326011

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client **Mr. RAMESH TENKIL,** S/o. Sri. Thimmappa T, had executed Power of Attorney dated 23- 01-2004, appointing **MR. Y.S. SATHISH** as his agent, in respect of the schedule property mentioned hereunder, has irretrievably lost the said Original Power of Attorney.

If any Person /s have/has found the said original document kindly inform & produce to the undersigned, ***within 7 days*** from this day.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

The residential **Apartment No. B4-1505** in South City, situated at **Survey Nos. 90/1, 91, 92 (Part), 93 (Part), 94, 95 and 96/1, at Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,** and has filed Lost Report bearing No. 2188470/2026, dated: 05-05- 2026, online KSP-Bengaluru City.

RAGHURAM CADAMBI, ADVOCATE
Prestige Center Point, No. 519 - 520, Cunningham Road, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560001.
Date: 22.05.2026 Place: Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that, out client **Mr. Bhargav,** S/o. Vinayaga Murthy and Narmada, Aged about 23 years, and **Ms. Tejaswini,** D/o. Vinayaga Murthy and Narmada, both Residing at No.41/1, Kariyanapalya, Near Shoba Store, St. Thomas Town, Bengaluru – 560084, has lost Original documents viz.1) Sale Deed bearing document No. 1648 of 1966-67, Book No.1, Volume no.2578, Page 148 to 151, registered on 13.06.1966, at Sub-registrar office, 2) Sale deed bearing Document no.12581/2001-02, Book No.1, C.D.No.52, registered on 24.11.2001, at sub-registrar, Bangalore North Taluk 3) Will bearing Document no. KCH-3-00036-2008-09, C.D.No.KCHD17, Book No.3, registered on 19.11.2008, at sub-registrar, Kacharakanahalli, Bangalore, with respect to property bearing EPID No.7059551605, Katha no.1271/1, property no.41/1, situated at Kariyanapalya, Kacharakanahalli, Bengaluru North City Municipal ward no.27, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet, totally measuring 1200 Sq. Ft., while travelling in vehicle near Kariyanapalya on 02.04.2024, if anybody found the said documents please contact:9741169757.

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BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I AT BANGALORE
New Premises at 4th Floor, Telephone House Building, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore – 560001

O.A.No.1050/2021

Between:
Union Bank Of India
...Applicant

And :
Ramsons Vikram Pvt. Ltd & Ors
...Defendants

SUMMONS/NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993, BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To;
Pradeep Kumar P S/o Parashuram No.27/1, Marappa Thora Bangalore-560066
...Defendant

WHEREAS, the applicant has instituted an application/interlocutory application under Section 19 of Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institution Act, 1993 against the defendants for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 2,72,23,461.74/-** with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs. You are hereby require to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication of the summons on or before **16th July 2026** at **10.30 AM** in the forenoon in person or by Pleader / Advocate duly instructed as to why relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application/interlocutory application will be heard and date remained in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this **06.05.2026.**

Signature of the Officer
(Authorized to issue Summon)
Debt Recovery Tribunal-I,
Bengaluru.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I AT BANGALORE
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001.

In the matter of
Case No. O.A. 1374/2024
BETWEEN: Canara Bank ... APPLICANT
AND: M/s K.N. Fashions Paradise and another **... DEFENDANTS**

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT UNDER RULE 23 (viii) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993

To, **DEFENDANT No. 1: 1. M/s K.N. FASHION PARADIES,** Represented by its Proprietorship Sri N. SUBRAMANYAN S/o Nanjundappa, No. 4, Municipal Assessment No. 1131/4179/4, Sy. No. 92, Subbaiah Layout, Haladenahalli Village, Ward No. 8/4, Anekal Town, BENGALURU RURAL DIST 562 106

DEFENDANT No. 2A: Sri N. SUBRAMANYAN, S/o Nanjundappa, No. 4, Municipal Assessment No. 1131/4179/4, Sy. No. 92, Subbaiah Layout, Haladenahalli Village, Ward No. 8/4, Anekal Town, BENGALURU RURAL DIST 562 106. Also at 86-A. Karpura-Kasaba Circle, Karpura, Anekal, BENGALURU RURAL DIST 562 106.

WHEREAS, the Applicant has instituted an Application under Sec. 19 of The Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 against the defendants for recovery of sum of Rs. 20,19,002.85ps/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Nineteen Thousand and Two and Eighty Five Paisa only) together with Current and future Interest and other reliefs.

Take Notice that you are hereby required to appear before this Tribunal to Show Cause on **28-08-2026** at 11.00 A.M in person or by a Pleader/Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take Notice that in case of default, the Application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this 12-05-2026

By order of the Tribunal, Registrar,
Debts Recovery Tribunal-I, Bangalore.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that my client **K.Murthy** S/o.Kanniyappan, aged about 65 years, residing at No.326, 3rd main, VHBS Layout, GKW layout, Vijayanagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore. Is the absolute owner of the schedule property bearing survey No.1/4, situated at Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, measuring to an extent of 0-20 Guntas. And property bearing Survey No.3/6 situated at Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, measuring to an extent of 0-14.08 Guntas.

He has lost the Original Title documents on 21.05.2026, at time of shifting his house, in this regard he has registered the complaint in E-lost the below documents were lost.

i) Confirmation deed dated:29/08/2012, registered as Document No.ANK-1-03270-2012-13, in Book No-I, stored in C.D. No.ANKD324, registered in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Basavanagudi (Anekal), Bangalore.

ii) Confirmation deed dated:29/08/2012, registered as Document No.ANK-1-03269-2012-13, in Book No-I, stored in C.D. No.ANKD324, registered in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Basavanagudi (Anekal), Bangalore. Through online KSP E-loss app vide Lost report No.2215038/2026, dated: 21.05.2026

Hence my client will not be responsible for any transaction made by any person/s in respect of the schedule property. The finder of the above mentioned document may kindly handover the same to the address mentioned below **within 7 day** from this day.

SCHEDULE

Item No.1: all that piece and parcel of the immovable **property bearing survey No.1/4,** duly converted vide conversion order No.ALN(A)/SR/55/10-11, dated:25.11.2010, by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore district, situated at **Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk,** measuring to an extent of **0-20 Guntas** and bounded on: **East by:** Road, **West By:** Property of Subramani, **North By:** Property of Subramani, **South by :** Property of Muniswamappa.

Item No.2: all that piece and parcel of the immovable **property bearing Survey No.3/6** duly converted vide conversion order No.ALN(A)/SR/56/10-11, dated:25.11.2010, by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore district, situated at **Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk,** measuring to an extent of **0-14.08 Guntas. East by:** Property belong to Sampangi Ramaiah, **West By:** Property of Chikkayallappa, **North By:** Road, **South by:** Property belongs to Sampangi Ramaiah

Sri. M.V. Raghu, Advocate,
office At No.21/1, 1st Floor, Aradhya Complex, Vanivilas Road, Bengaluru -560 004,
Mob: 9986424504

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Authorised Officer's Details:	Address of the Branch:
Name : Sri Narasimha Murthy B, Chief Manager e -mail Id: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in, Mobile No: 9962629198, Landline No. (Office): 080-2594 3663	STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH Building No.11/90, III Floor, Opp: Trustwell Hospital, J C Road, Bengaluru -560 002 Tel: 080-2594-3678/3663 E-mail ID: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in.

APENDIX IV-A [See proviso to Rule 8(6)]
E-AUCTION ON 24.06.2026
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property (excluding movables, if any, lying in the premises) under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers/Mortgager that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, **State Bank of India, Bengaluru,** the actual physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is Where is", "As is What is" and "Whatever There is" basis on **24.06.2026** for recovery of **Rs. 56,45,502/-** (Rupees Fifty Six Lakh Forty Five Thousand Five Hundred Two Only) as on 19.05.2026 and further interest from 20.05.2026 at contractual rate with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc, due to the Secured Creditor State Bank of India, from the borrowers **: (1) Smt. Sasikala .V W/o. Vairamuthu .P and (2) Mr. Vairamuthu .P S/o. Sri Pichamani (For A/c No. HL 64119837085)**

The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable property to be sold will be as under:

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DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY :

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For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided by the secured creditor represented by the **Authorised Officer , State bank of India, SARB, Bengaluru ie.,1.http://www.baanknet.com. 2.www.sbi.co.in**

For further details regarding inspection of the property the intending bidder may contact the Authorised Officer as mentioned above or Bank's Approved **Resolution Agent M/s Sri Devi Resolutions Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore Representative: Sri. Jagadeesh N, Cell No. : 9902401486.**

To the best of knowledge of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on any of the above said properties.

Date: 20.05.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
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In case we are unable to complete the auction at the branch on the notified date, the same will be conducted through Shriram Automall India Limited (SAMIL) on their online e- auction platform https://gold.samil.in or e-Procurement Technologies Limited (AuctionTiger) on their online e- auction platform https://egold.auctiontiger.net on 24-06-2026 between 12.30 PM to 3.30 PM. Please note if the e- auction does not completed on 24-06-2026 the same will be re-auctioned on subsequent working days on the same terms and conditions.

By Authorized Officer,
Indel Money Limited

Ashmita moves to quarters of Malaysia Masters

Ashmita Chaliha moved to the women's singles quarterfinals, emerging as the country's lone surviving contender after the rest of the Indian challenge came to an end at the Malaysia Masters Super 500 tournament in Kuala Lumpur on Thursday. Ashmita registered a 21-13, 21-16 victory over Malaysia's Goh Jin Wei.

Are injuries to India stars in IPL a concern?

With multiple contracted players in the league are injured, is it time for the BCCI to rethink their existing policy

GOMESH S @Chennai

EVEN as Kolkata Knight Riders beat Mumbai Indians by four wickets to keep their play-off hopes alive on Wednesday, Shane Watson's remarks on Varun Chakaravarthy's fitness has brought back the attention towards injury management of India players during the Indian Premier League.

Watson revealed that Varun, a BCCI contracted player, had been playing for KKR despite the pain in his left foot. "All I do know is he's obviously playing through a bit of pain at the moment, which just shows how brave he is, how much he wants to be here to be able to contribute for KKR, and he's still bowling beautifully," Watson said on Wednesday. This remark comes at a time when questions have been raised about multiple India players managing injuries and playing for their respective franchise in the IPL. Senior India players like Rohit Sharma, Hardik Pandya and Suryakumar Yadav have missed games due to injuries — Rohit came back and been playing as Impact Player — and there were murmurs over full fitness of Arshdeep Singh and Ravindra Jadeja.

While Arshdeep was declared fit and Jadeja has been rested, Rohit and Hardik's availability for Afghanistan ODIs is still subject to fitness. The practice, when it comes to the IPL, has always been franchises keeping the BCCI in loop about injuries to contracted players, but it is up to them whether or not to rest a player. "So far as the IPL is concerned, the franchisees do take care about the injuries and the fitness of the players. Our physios from the CoE are also monitoring them, giving them the workload as well as the plan for how to keep them fit. So, monitoring is there but we cannot interfere too much when the IPL is going on," BCCI secretary Devajit Saikia had said on Tuesday.

However, it makes one wonder whether the BCCI should rethink the practice. It is not the first time injury to India players has become an issue. During the 2020 IPL in UAE, lack of clarity over Rohit's fitness became an issue with the Border Gavaskar Trophy Down Under looming. The then BCCI president Sourav Ganguly had told an Indian publication that the MI skipper played with 70 per cent fitness. In the weeks that followed, Virat Kohli, the then Test captain, was irked by the lack of clarity and called it a "confusing situation." Rohit eventually joined the team after missing the white-ball leg and first two Test matches.

While it happened in different circumstances — COVID protocols, bio-bubble, quarantine, etc. — the onus is on BCCI to ensure such a situation does not repeat.

'Cricketers want to play'

Meanwhile, former India cricketer Vinay Kumar gave the perspective of a player during a select media interaction felicitated by JioStar on Thursday. "At the end of the day, a player wants to play," Kumar said. "... (If) they are supposed to win to qualify, definitely bowlers or any players, they will push themselves because the team has given them everything. Also, in a cricket field, maybe in any sport, I think very rarely players will play with 100% fitness. Most of the time, they will be 90-95% fit. 5-10% here and there small niggles will be there. They are very much used to doing that," explained the former Karnataka captain, lauding Varun for his effort. While there is no questioning of any cricketer's commitment to play, the ball is in the BCCI's court to reflect and see if the policy needs a rethink.

Shubman Gill (L) and B Sai Sudharsan added 125 runs for the first wicket | BCCI

Titans deliver knock out blow to Super Kings

AGENCIES @ Ahmedabad

SHUBMAN Gill and Sai Sudharsan added to their remarkable consistency as an opening pair with a record seventh century partnership, fuelling Gujarat Titans to 229/4 against Chennai Super Kings on a true batting surface in the Indian Premier League here on Thursday. In reply, the visitors were bundled out for 140 after losing four wickets in the powerplay. With the loss, Super Kings fail to qualify for play-offs for the third successive season.

Titans skipper Gill (64 off 37) displayed sublime touch from ball one, toying with the left arm pacer Spencer Johnson in the powerplay. Gill got his fifty off 23 balls while Sudharsan (84 off 53) reached the milestone off 35 balls, his fifth consecutive half-century. Gill scored the bulk of the runs in their 125-run stand off 74 balls. The range of boundaries Gill picked up off a wayward Johnson was a masterclass in batting. He mixed minimum muscle with trademark elegance to get the desired results. His fours off Johnson included a cut off the Australian's very first ball before the Indian star used his crease against the left-arm pacer to collect boundaries at will.

After Gill's departure, Sudharsan and Jos Buttler (57 not out off 27) maintained the same tempo to take Titans well past 200. **Brief scores:** GT 229/4 in 20 ovs (Sudharsan 84, Gill 64, Buttler 57 n.o) **bt** CSK 140 in 13.4 ovs (Dube 47, Siraj 3/26, Rabada 3/32).

TRANSFORMATION

ONCE A 'LAZY SON' OF PRIEST, DUBEY KEEPS KKR ALIVE

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

A 'LAZY' son of a poojari (priest) was happy playing tennis ball matches and making quick bucks by helping local teams win in Masala village of Wardha district, Maharashtra. His tall frame, around 6"7', made him menacing, forcing amateur local cricketers to surrender meekly. But his elder brother saw the spark in him and convinced the then 16-year-old left-arm pacer to pick the leather ball.

Already in a big demand in his and nearby villages, Saurabh Dubey's feats reached a famous cricket coach of the district, who once was in Vidarbha Ranji Trophy squad but never got a chance in the playing XI. "I watched him bowl and immediately realised the boy has potential. His height was the X factor," Ravi Lunge, Saurabh's childhood coach, told this daily. Lunge apprised Prashant Vaidya, former India cricketer and the then chairman of Cricket Administration and Development Committee of Vidarbha Cricket Association (VCA), and sent a video of the bowler.

Within months, Saurabh shifted to VCA residential academy in Nagpur and was India's highest wicket-taker in the 2019 Emerging Teams Asia Cup. A lot happened during those three years and the ups and downs continued in the years to follow given Saurabh's laidback attitude but the 28-year-old is once again the talking point.

Brought in by Kolkata Knight Riders as a replacement for injured India pacer Akash Deep, Saurabh might had a subdued outing in his IPL debut against Royal Challengers Bengaluru but he picked up in the next match against Gujarat Titans claiming a wicket before playing a key role in KKR's win over Mumbai Indians on Wednesday. He bagged all-important wickets of Rohit Sharma and Suryakumar Yadav.

"He is a bit lazy and that cost him in his first year as a professional cricketer. Only after a year in the VCA residential academy, he was sent back home in April 2017. The coaches, selectors and other stakeholders found him uninspiring saying he did not bother to take extra efforts. He was inconsolable and then I spoke to his brother Gaurav and asked him to send him to me in the morning. I made him do a rigorous workout regime deemed necessary for fast bowlers in this age and then convinced Vaidya to take him back in the fold. It worked as he went on to play for India Emerging Team."

Things went south once again as Saurabh was lost into oblivion after playing 11 games (eight List A and three T20s) at the senior level even as his former teammate Arshdeep Singh went on to become India's premier pacer. "Once again his temperament should be blamed as he lost crucial three-four years. Injuries too played a role in it. Inaugural Vidarbha Pro T20 League last year came to his rescue as he impressed for Orange Tigers and brought himself back into contention," said Lunge.

The coach informed that former KKR all-rounder Venkatesh Iyer recommended Saurabh's name to head coach Abhishek Nayar. Earlier, he was bought by Sunrisers Hyderabad in 2022 but his season was cut short by injury.

Hailing from a modest background, apparently money was priority for Saurabh as he became a mercenary plying his trade for whichever team that paid the most. Father Rajendraprasad Dubey, meanwhile, wanted him to pursue education and even got him admitted to an Industrial Training Institute (ITI) centre after he was sent back by the VCA. But cricket was Saurabh's calling and he seems to be back where he belongs.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Can Bengaluru finish on top?

WITH 18 POINTS, BENGALURU TAKE ON HYDERABAD IN THEIR LAST LEAGUE GAME. A LOOK...

RCB pacers vs Travishek

The combination of Josh Hazlewood and Bhuvneshwar Kumar have been lethal with the new ball and this season has been no different. Whether Travis Head and Abhishek Sharma can tackle the duo could decide the contest.

Klaasen firepower

Though he does not seem as aggressive as he used to be two years ago, Heinrich Klaasen has made calculated moves to make match-winning impacts. Expect nothing less from the senior batter.

SRH VS RCB @ HYDERABAD, LIVE ON STAR SPORTS AND JIOHOTSTAR, 7.30PM

LANDMARK REFORM

SRY gene test to make debut in Ranchi nat'ls

CHANDRA PRABHU @Ranchi

IN a first in Indian athletics, women will undergo the SRY gene tests in the ongoing Senior National Athletics Federation Competition, Athletics Federation of India (AFI) top official Lalit Bhanot said on Thursday.

These tests, however, will only be mandated across the country next year. The AFI began tests after World Athletics brought in new regulations over participation in events in women's section during the 2025 World Athletics Championships in Tokyo.

As the four-day federation competition – which serves as the final selection trial for the Commonwealth Games – has brought top women athletes, most of them are likely to undergo this test. "We are expecting roughly over 100 women athletes to be tested in this event," Bhanot told reporters here.

The AFI has decided to mandate only by next year due to the cost factor. In a vitual press conference last month, AFI spokesperson Adille Sumariwalla said that the AFI will pay ₹3500 per test. "Some athletes may not afford to pay for a test. So, the AFI proposed to the (union) government for funds. The government will help with expenses through AFI," he said.

"These tests should be done only at labs identified by the medical commission of the AFI," Bhanot said, adding that the federation may continue to incur the expenses next year. One of the key reasons why the AFI has decided to conduct these tests during competitions is to counter impersonations. "For example, there was a camp in SAI NCOE in Bengaluru ahead of a junior Asian meet where girls got tested. Now, in this competition, women athletes will get tested. Then, in next month's Senior Inter-State meet (in Bhubaneswar), athletes who may not participate here would be tested there. And those who have not taken part then, they will be told to come to their training centres for the test," he said. Athletes will be chosen on a random basis.

The introduction of this test came across as one of the AFI's landmark reforms in April's Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Kohima, Nagaland.

According to a 2025 statement from World Athletics, women athletics will go through this test only once. "This is to be conducted via a cheek swab or blood test, whichever is more convenient," the statement reads.

Dropped from Act, sports ministry wants to criminalise dope offenders

INDRANEEL DAS @Chennai

JUST the other day World Anti-Doping Agency chief Witold Banka reminded sports firmament that when it comes to performance enhancing drugs and illegal steroids, India leads the pack. Days later, Indian athletes topped charts of the Athletics Integrity Unit's (World Athletics' anti-doping watchdog) charts as the biggest offenders of doping in the world.

While speaking at the Global Anti-Doping Intelligence and Investigations Network Final Conference, Banka said that the priority of Indian authorities should be to target the supply chains. There were meetings with CBI officials and there was an agreement reached to engage with INTERPOL to crackdown on these supply chains.

Though the National Anti-Doping Agency has been closely working with the intelligence wing of the WADA and also had been conducting raids with their assistance, they did not have provision to initiate criminal proceedings against perpetrators – a provision omitted when the Act was made. Days after the GAIIN conference, the sports ministry has proposed an amendment to the Act and placed the content for public engagement that would criminalise possession of banned substances. The proposed amendment also would make trafficking illegal. This will be under the provision 25B. It says that this provision would apply to any person "committing, aiding or abetting the activities specified under section 25B, including such activities committed outside India, which if committed in India, would constitute an offence under section 25B."

This will also mean that apart from searching, authorities will have the wherewithal to criminal action against perpetrators. The two main points covering this are list under 25B Provisions relating to offence. It says, "Whoever, for the purpose of or in connection with doping in sport, traffics in, sells, dispenses or otherwise places on the market without trafficking, or makes out a prescription for, any prohibited substance or prohibited method, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to (five) years, or with fine which may extend up to (two lakh) rupees, or both." The amendment also covers those individuals who "administers or applies to an athlete, for the purpose of or in connection with doping: (a) a prohibited substance, or (b) a prohibited method, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to [5] years, or with fine which may extend up to [₹2 lakh], or both."

EXPRESS READ

Discus thrower Banvir banned for 7 years

NEW DELHI: Discus thrower Banvir Singh has been banned for seven years by the National Anti-Doping Agency's Appeal Panel for flunking a dope test. Apart from this, long distance runner Harendra Kumar has been handed another four-year suspension effective from August 2 this year.

Pragg held by Deac Bogdan-Daniel

BUCHAREST: R Praggnanandhaa was held to a draw by Deac Bogdan-Daniel while Alireza Firouzja decided to finally call it quits in the sixth round of the Super Chess Classic. Vincent Keymer was the one to benefit from Firouzja's withdrawal as he stretched his lead to a full point.

Mukund loses as Indian challenge ends

Bengaluru: India's campaign in the men's singles at the SM Krishna Memorial Open came to an end, but not before Mukund Sasikumar produced a stirring fight against second seed Alastair Gray in a quarterfinal battle here on Thursday. The 29-year-old lost 6-2, 5-7, 6-7(3).

East Bengal crowned ISL champs, end 22-year wait

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EAST Bengal FC were crowned champions of the Indian Super League for the very first time here on Thursday, ending a 22-year-old title drought in the country's top-tier competition and quenching their passionate fans' yearning for silverware after a thrilling five-horse race to the top prize.

East Bengal, one of the country's most decorated football clubs alongside its arch-rivals Mohun Bagan Super Giant, emerged triumphant after a hard-fought 2-1 victory over Inter Kashi at the Kishore Bharati Krirangan, even as Mohun Bagan, another contender for the prize alongside Mumbai City FC, Punjab City and Bengaluru FC heading into the decisive final round of fixtures, rallied to beat Sporting Club Delhi 2-1.

Mumbai FC beat Punjab FC 2-0 in their face-off, while Odisha FC and Jamshedpur FC played out a goalless draw.

East Bengal, though, were made to work hard until the last minute after Alfred's brilliant first-time finish put Inter Kashi in lead on the 15th minute. Youssef Ezzejjari and Mohammed Rashid scored for the eventual champions.

Para-archery coach Vedwan jailed for 5 years

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NATIONAL para-archery coach Kuldeep Vedwan, who was arrested in 2023 in a sexual harassment case involving a minor athlete and later released on bail ahead of the Paris Paralympics, was sentenced to five years of rigorous imprisonment by a Fast Track Special Court in Sonepat. Vedwan was convicted under provisions of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act and fined ₹15,000. The court had held him guilty on May 15 before pronouncing the sentence.

Tejaswin aims to qualify both in high jump and decathlon for Glasgow CWG

CHANDRA PRABHU @Ranchi

THERE was a sense of calmness as the sun went down at the Birsa Munda Football Stadium, Ranchi on Thursday. Come dawn on Friday, there will be a different kind of energy among the athletes who feature in the all-important National Senior Athletics Federation Competition at the venue.

The event serves as the final selection trials for the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow later this year. With most of the qualifying marks for events better than current national records, athletes are expected to put in their personal best performance. For some, like the 2022 CWG bronze (high jump) and Asiad silver medallist (decathlon) Tejaswin Shankar, the road to Glasgow looks clear. Taking part in both high jump and decathlon, his personal bests (2.29m in high jump and 7826 points in decathlon, both national records) in both events are better than the qualification marks (2.22m and 7787 pts.). "The reason I am choosing combined events is that there is another high-jump event amongst 10 other events. If I put on a good performance that I qualify for high-jump in the decathlon, I think that's unprecedented. I always try to make such challenges in my mind so that I can add new challenges. And I got some excitement from my own performance. But my goal in CWG will be to compete in the decathlon event because it is the toughest event of track and field," he said on Thursday.

Tejaswin Shankar | EXPRESS

However, his participation in two events at the CWG, if he qualifies, will be decided by the AFI. "I think their input becomes very important on what will be the best combination. Because high-jump happens after the decathlon. So, I might not be able to give my best at that event after 10 events," he said. But he is not leaving any stone unturned. He said that preparing for the conditions here in Ranchi is essential. "What makes most of the difference is the weather. I have been training for two days. I have to bear the elements. It's not even when you do the event. You don't feel tired at that time. But, when you wait for the event, it accumulates. That's very important. That's why I came here for training."

With temperatures expected to rise up to 40 degree Celsius in the next few days, the schedule such that it does not make athletes participate under the hot sun. "Luckily, the schedule is such that you start at 7 AM. Morning session ends at 9-10 AM. We can skip the peak heat. I think 6 PM onwards is better. Something else that's good is that the humidity is less. I remember in the 2023 Senior inter-state meet in Bhubaneswar, I was worried when it would end. The humidity was very high."

In addition to managing the heat levels, managing the events under decathlon will be something that the Asiad and commonwealth games medallist will keep in mind. "Many times we think of the combined events or the decathlon as 10 different events, but actually, it's just one event. So you have to lose some points to gain some points. The mindset for this competition is that if I can accumulate as many points as possible in my areas of strength, then there will be at least one or two weaknesses. So, I think it's the overall score that matters."

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